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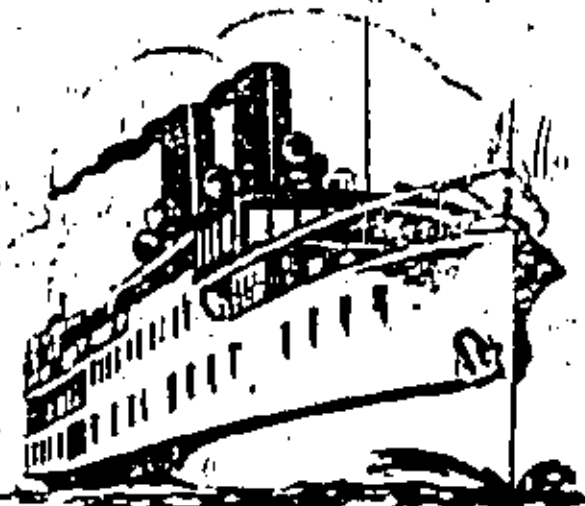
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KING GEORGE VI.



Wearing the uniform of Colonel of the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, this picture shows His Majesty the King during a recent inspection at Aldershot.

Coronation Preparations

PREPARATIONS FOR THE CORONATION ON MAY 12 ARE GOING STRAIGHT AHEAD. THERE HAS BEEN NO PAUSE IN MAKING OFFICIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

An increased staff has been hard at work at the Earl Marshal's office. Full speed ahead has been the order in the College of Heralds; and "Carry on" has been the instruction of the Office of Works.

Plans to seat 9,000 at the Coronation ceremony in Westminster Abbey are going forward. Following a survey of the Abbey, an extra tier of seats may be erected.

Some 8,000 saw King George crowned, and it will be an excellent piece of organisation if accommodation is provided for an additional thousand.

Tenders are now being considered by the Office of Works for the erection of stands on the Coronation route to seat nearly 100,000 people. Contracts will shortly be placed for—

50,000 seats on both sides of Constitution Hill, The Mall and Admiralty Arch.

27,000 at Hyde Park, and

21,000 along Whitehall, Parliament Square and Victoria Embankment.

Private companies and firms are going right on with the building of seats. No fewer than a quarter of a million will be provided in this way, according to an estimate given by an expert.

The committee set up to prevent profiteering in accommodation during Coronation week is carrying out its plan.

Consisting of representatives of the Hotels Association, the Residential Hotels Association, the railway companies and London Transport, it is gathering information of all accommodation available in hotels, boarding houses, flats and private houses during Coronation week.

COURT DRESS ORDERS

The committee believe that by this means details of a great reserve of accommodation will be made known which must have the effect of preventing anyone from making exorbitant charges.

Court dressmakers are busily carrying out Coronation orders.

Ordinary business, however, has been seriously affected. Mr. Edward H. Symonds, managing director of Reville's, said: "The slump has been almost dramatic—certainly as great as when King George died."

QUEEN ELIZABETH



Her Majesty the Queen photographed as she was leaving St. Paul's Cathedral after a recent Sunday morning service.

Pictorial Record Of Recent Crisis

By arrangement with our London office, "The Hong Kong Daily Press" is able to provide by air mail a photographic record of leading personalities and scenes in the recent constitutional crisis which culminated in the abdication of King Edward VIII. These striking pictures will be featured during this week.

CHINA'S FINANCIAL ADVISER

Former Italian Minister Appointed

London, Dec. 22.—The "Financial Times" Milan correspondent understands that the Chinese Government has appointed Signor Alberto de Stefani, former Italian Finance Minister, as its financial adviser. Signor de Stefani will be proceeding to China shortly.—
Reuter.

ROYAL WEDDING

London, Dec. 22.—The Duke of Kent will visit Holland early next month to attend the wedding of Princess Juliana which takes place on January 7. Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, and the Earl of Athlone will also attend the wedding.—
Reuter.



READING THE NEWS—An anxious group that waited outside the Houses of Parliament.

KING'S CHRISTMAS

London, Dec. 22.—The King and Queen accompanied by Queen Mary and the two Princesses will travel by the Royal train to Sandringham to-day for Christmas. They are expected to remain there until the end of January.—
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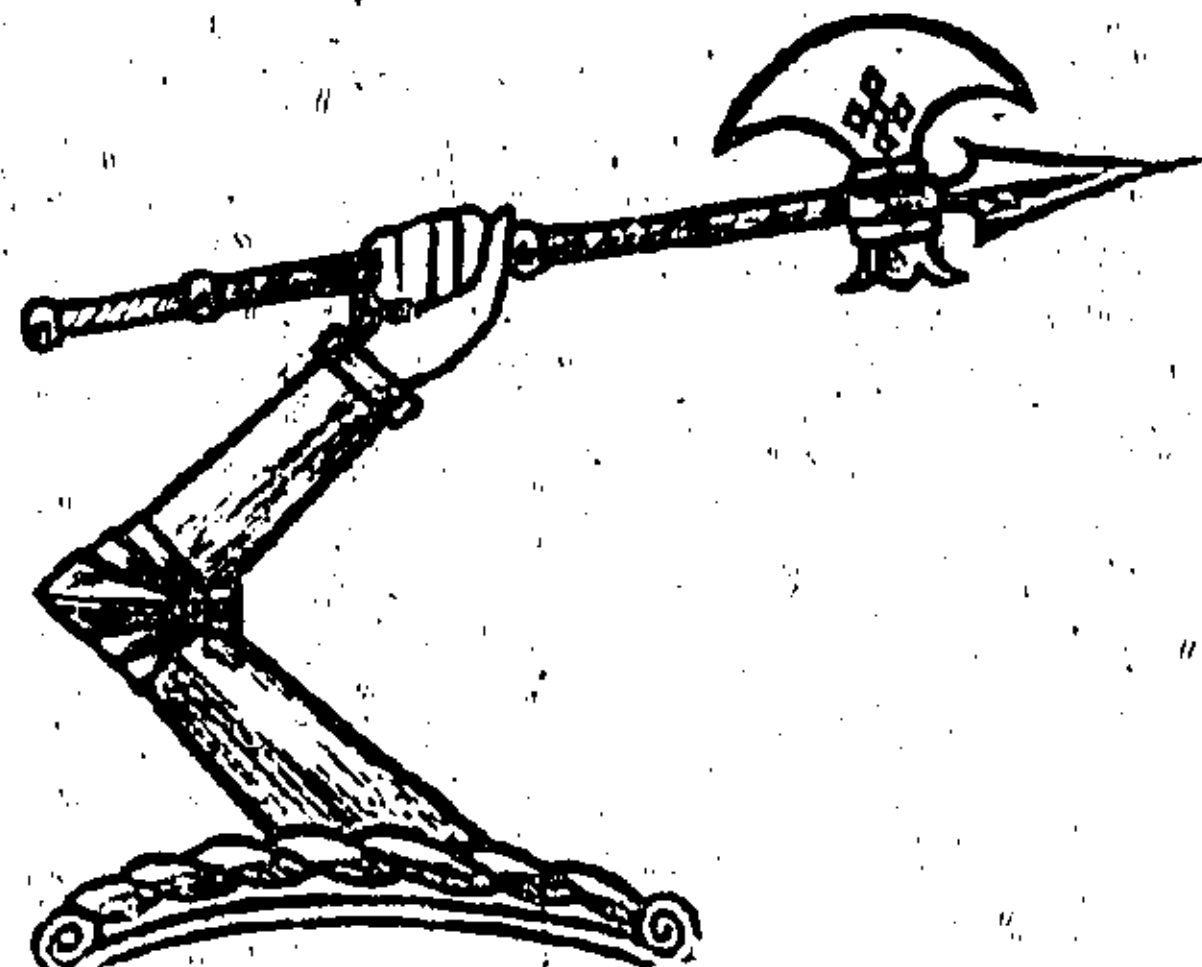
LONDON SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)
London, Dec. 22.
London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 as follows:—
Dec. 21. Dec. 22.
Spot 21-5/16 21-1/4
Forward 21-1/4 21-3/16

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BISHOP HALL AT ROTARY CLUB Club's Decision To Remain At Hotel For Lunch "MAKING COMMUNITY"

Yesterday's luncheon meeting at the Hong Kong Hotel of the Rotary Club was not without its humorous side.

Mr. W. M. Thomas Tam informed the audience at the conclusion of the lunch that the reason for such a small bill of fare was because the management of the hotel wanted them to try the \$1.75 meal.

The previous luncheons of the Club would now amount to \$2 a head.

In the discussion that followed, one Rotarian remembered that the microphone was connected with the broadcasting station. It was immediately turned off amid much laughter while Mr. Tam passed the remark about something to do with Scotch ancestry.

The members, after a very short controversy, voted to remain at the Hong Kong Hotel for their weekly luncheons.

Rotarian T. B. Wilson was the first to take a stand to remain at the hotel, while the Secretary, R. M. F. Key remarked that the use of a room such as the Roof Garden would cost at least £2.10.0 in any other city.

GUESTS

The President then introduced Rotarians A. R. Hager, a past President of Shanghai Rotary; Prof. J. B. Knoch, on holiday from Hamburg; F. A. Nixon, of Canton; and a guest, Capt. Murray, R.N., of H.M.S. Dorsetshire.

Before the Rt. Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall, the speaker of the day, arose, Rotarian Tam expressed his gladness at seeing the Bishop back again.

Bishop Hall prefixed his talk by saying that he was merely out of England by the grace of the Ministry of Agriculture. He added that he had had an attack of hoof and mouth disease, and that he felt the symptoms coming on again. Page the medical authorities!

The Bishop said:-

BISHOP'S SPEECH

President and fellow Rotarians: I remember the first time I spoke to this Club nearly four years ago. I finished by suggesting that one

of the good things that had come out of serious unemployment in England was a much more universal realization of the importance of leisure. I found during the last few months in England, as one so often finds after a period of absence from one's country, that the word "community" had become popular as expressing something that matters. I therefore venture to give you as title of my talk to-day the phrase "making community." In "making community" in a city or in a family, leisure is probably more important than work. A man's leisure hours are the real test of a man, and the problem of leisure in our community here is more acute for various differing classes than in most cities. There are plenty of opportunities for enjoyment for those who have money. Their opposite members in Canton feel there are too many such opportunities in Hong Kong and not enough responsibility for "making community" in other ways. But the problem of improving the use of leisure by those who have money is, as far as I can see, insoluble by anyone but themselves. For those who have no money the problem of leisure is equally acute, and it is much more easy here for other members of the community to assist in making sure that their leisure hours are spent in such a way that they become, in turn, useful members of the community.

BOYS' CLUB ASSOCIATION

There has been in the past in Hong Kong a great deal of generosity and initiative in Night Schools for poor boys. There has also been the very valuable work for playgrounds with which this Club was very closely associated. The Boy's Club movement is supplementary to both these. We are growing in Hong Kong a generation of young men and women who have no country home in China to go back to. They were born in Hong Kong, or came to Hong Kong when they were very young, and they are likely to remain in Hong Kong most of their lives. Their usefulness in "making community" in Hong Kong depends not only on their capacity as mechanics or tradesmen or coolies, but on their general live-mindedness, physical health, and capacity to make good use of leisure. A workman who spends his evenings gambling or smoking opium is not likely to do his best work the next morning. When your home is a bed-space in a large room with perhaps thirty people living in it, opportunities for anything but gambling are difficult. Our plan, therefore, is that we shall have, in time, a series of Boys' Clubs throughout the City, in which young lads between 12 and 16 may be able to spend their leisure in the evenings in useful and happy ways. At the present moment there are two Clubs in existence, one at the gates of the University on Bonham Road, another near the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Each Club has a membership of over 70 boys. The boys are all extremely poor, mostly newspaper boys and bootblacks. Many are the principal wage earners of their family. Fifty per cent. of them have no father living. They learn to play football, basketball, boxing and ping-pong. They are preparing a play to present at New Year to their parents. Lectures are given in the Clubs, and the boys also get instruction in reading and writing. In summer bathing picnics are held. There is a paid Warden in charge of each Club, with a salary of \$15 a month, with accommodation for a few boys to live in who have no satisfactory home of their own. The working expenses of each Club are about \$50 a month.

Another very happy aspect of the Clubs is that young Englishmen (members of the H and sailors from the ships) are able to help, so that their experience of games and recreation in England is made available for the poorest Chinese boys in this City. (Applause)

EDUCATION

All of us are puzzled about the question of education for those whose main life-work will always be with their hands. It seems to me that this Club Movement is of great hope for the future because the book-learning the boys are getting is associated with their leisure hours and with recreation, rather than with their job. I hope

in this way they will feel that the value of the Club is not in preparing them for a different type of work, but in enabling them to enjoy life in their leisure hours. I hope as the Clubs develop it may be possible for us to secure employment as apprentices in factories, dockyard, etc., for boys in the Club who show promise and ability, so that the Club may also be an avenue to useful employment. I have not the figures with me, but I believe when the first medical examination was held at the first Club nine months ago, the extent of disease, trachoma, and so on amongst the boys was alarmingly high. This is another aspect of the work which is of tremendous importance for the future of the community. The health of the community depends on the health of its poorest members. We are able in the Club, not only to deal with disease in the boys, but to help them to healthier ways of living in the future.

AN IMPRESSION

The dominant impression I got in England in the last month or two was the growing interest in Fascism and similar methods of government. I believe the reason for this is that these autocratic forms of government are prepared to "make community" even at the cost of the sacrifice of individual freedom.

I am a Christian, and glad to speak at Christmas time about a better way of "making community" based on the free and unselfish service of folk to one another in the City. This was so ably put in the leading article in the local press yesterday morning that I need say no more about it. But I am convinced that for those who still believe that community is better made when men are free to make it of their own freewill, the present situation is a tremendous challenge. Is it not true that we have allowed the standard of expenditure on our own personal comfort to grow, without at the same time increasing our expenditure on "making community" by helping others into a better life?

"FELLOWSHIP" AND "COMMUNITY"

I would like to suggest that there is a real difference between the word "fellowship" which has been popular in the past, and the word "community" which appears to be taking its place. Community suggests a deeper and more extensive thing than fellowship. There is a real danger in the fellowship of a Club of this kind, which I know very well, also in the fellowship of the Church. It is easy to feel fellowship for an hour with like-minded people, but this does not go deep enough. We have in China a magnificent example of the difference between fellowship and community. The Chinese family is real community. It goes much deeper than the fellowship of an hour. It transcends even national loyalty. We are celebrating this week the anniversary of the birth of the Man who said he came to fulfil and not to destroy. We shall be unworthy of our discipleship if we destroy the old Chinese family. It is our duty to fulfil it by carrying over into the new community of a modern City that responsible community feeling which expresses itself in generous action, which is the grandest thing in all that is great and grand in China's past.

HOME

A fellow passenger on the boat said to us: "I cannot understand you two. You talk as if you were going home instead of coming from home." That is true. You who have been our friends here have made Hong Kong our home. Christmas is the great home festival. Bethlehem stands for all that home life means. I ask you, as you enjoy all that home life and friendship mean to you this Christmas, to remember those who do not know what home life is, and to do something to help us to give

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS NEW GIANT LINERS

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Details are now available of the twelve new air-liners which are being constructed for Imperial Airways by Sir W. G. Armstrong Whitworth Aircraft Limited at Hamble.

The new air-liners will be known as the "E" class and the first in operation will be named "Empire". They will be of two types—European and "Empire". It is expected that the European type will be introduced on Imperial Airways Continental routes for the summer season next year.

The air-liners will be high-wing, cantilever monoplane with a wing span of 123 feet and an overall length of 110 feet. The total loaded weight will be approximately 20 tons and the payload will range from three and a half to five tons. Each air-liner will be able to attain speeds in the region of 200 miles an hour. The undercarriage, it is claimed, will be the largest in the world and will be retractable. It will have two single wheels, which will require tyres of no less than 6 feet 3.6 inches in height. There will be four saloons for passengers and the interior will surpass even the "Heracles" class of air-liner for comfort and spaciousness. Forty-two passengers will be carried on the European type apart from a crew of six. The Empire type is designed to carry large loads of mail and in addition twenty-seven passengers will be accommodated by day with sleeping berths for twenty.

PEAR TREE CURED OF "ANAEMIA"

The successful diagnosis of a "food deficiency disease" in a valuable fruit tree, by means of test injections into the leaves, is described in the annual report of the East Malling Research Station, Kent, issued recently.

The pear tree in question, which had a special importance for some of the station's experiments, was producing only foliage of a golden-yellow colour. This was almost completely lacking in green. It was expected to die, and the only hope appeared to be to "discover as quickly as possible from what form of food shortage, if any, the tree was suffering.

Individual leaves were, therefore, given injections of chemical solutions containing various substances, known to be needed by plants, which it was thought might be lacking. Copper, zinc, and manganese were all in turn tried and produced no improvement.

On the other hand, a test leaf which was given iron was restored, within five days, to its normal green colour. A further test was made to decide how big an iron injection was needed for the whole tree—and ten days later the tree was saved.

It had not, it is stated, been expected that iron would be the food element missing, and the technical explanation was not discovered until after the completion of the cure.

them the next best thing in a cheery, healthy and vigorous life in the future.

At the conclusion of the speech, the President said that it was customary at this time of the year to offer a contribution to the underprivileged children of the Colony.

He made an urgent appeal for funds and added that while he hesitated to make the appeal, he felt that the Rotary Club was different, as they were a band of men who realized the advantages of benevolence and charity.

Dr. Herliots proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Bishop Hall.

At The Races



Standing left to right: Dr. Hopa-Gill and Mr. Davis. In front: The Misses Simmons.

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With the lapse of the current year, Nanking ducks will soon grace the dining tables of British homes, for the famous product of the capital will soon be exported on a large scale by the Nanking branch of the British International Export Company.

Engaged chiefly in the export of eggs and egg products, the company will, beginning from the coming season, export Chinese ducks to England and the colonies. Thousands of ducks have been killed during the past few days and preserved in refrigeration rooms pending shipment abroad.

Since the reopening of the company last January, which has been suspended for six years, the egg exports have remained inactive. According to a recent estimate, the present egg export amounts to only less than 10 per cent. of the total amount exported during former years. At present there are around 500 workers in the plant as compared with several thousand, and at one time 30,000, during prosperous days.—*Central News.*

FOREIGNERS IN CANTON

Four Hundred And Ninety

According to a statistical report recently issued by the Bureau of Police, the number of foreign residents in the city are as follows:—
American 151; German 100; British 103; Canadian 11; Russian 37; Japanese 40; French 12; Portuguese 11; Indian 3; Dutch 7; Danes 2; Swiss 5; Swedes 1; Austrians 1; Norwegians 1; Czechoslovakian 1; and Rumania 4. The total number is 490.

COLONY'S HEALTH

During the week ending on December 19 there were 14 cases of diphtheria and 9 of enteric notified to the Health authorities. Seven died from diphtheria and 2 from enteric fever.

TWO WEDDINGS

Two weddings were solemnised at the Registry Office yesterday morning. The contracting parties were:—Emil August Kaufmann, missionary, of the Basel Mission, Shamsulpo, and Hanna Wilhelm Schkolzger, nurse; Wilhelm Philipp Weickum, missionary, of the Basel Mission, and Ruth Hanhart, also of the Basel Mission. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated at both ceremonies.

Cruelty To Fowls

NEWCOMER FINED FOR BREACH

Chui Yau, a 37-year-old farmer was fined \$5 for crowding six chickens into a small basket on December 21 at the Cheung Chow Ferry.

Inspector Hourihan said that it was not very serious as the chickens were not hurt. He added that it was not two uncomfortable, as weather was cold that day and the chickens rather liked it.

Defendant stated that he had just come out from the New Territories and that he did not know the regulations.

SURVIVOR OF RORKE'S DRIFT DEAD

One of the last survivors of the heroic garrison of Rorke's Drift, Mr. Thomas Moffatt, died at Rumcorn (Cheshire), recently, aged 80.

In January, 1879, a British force under Lord Chelmsford invaded Zululand. The centre column, composed of 1,600 whites and 2,500 natives, advanced from Rorke's Drift and encamped near Isandhlwana where it was surprised by a Zulu force 10,000 strong and practically wiped out.

But two companies of the 24th Regiment (South Wales Borderers), numbering about 80 men, had been left behind at Rorke's Drift. These "withstood" an all-night siege by 4,000 Zulus, who withdrew at dawn leaving 350 dead.

2,000 COFFINS

Peiping's Gesture To Opium Addicts

Peiping.
As a gesture of its determination to wipe out the opium and drug evil, the Peiping Pacification Headquarters, has ordered 2,000 coffins to be made beforehand, which will be used for containing corpses of opium and drug addicts to be executed, when found, beginning from next year.

A stern warning was recently given to all opium and drug addicts in a proclamation issued by the Headquarters that they abstain from their evil habit by the end of this year at the latest, and that those who are found still indulging in the habit of smoking opium or consuming narcotic drugs next year will be arrested and executed without mercy.

Already several hundreds of opium or drug addicts recently arrested are under trial by the authorities concerned. They will be punished to law.—*Central News.*

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Committee and members of the Hong Kong Society for the prevention of Cruelty to Animals wish to express their thanks to all those who in any way assisted in the selling of flags during their recent successful Flag Day.

PICKPOCKET CAUGHT AT LAST

Kwong Sim, unemployed, was brought before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday for the larceny of a fountain pen from Ho To Tung, on December 21.

Sergeant Orem, in giving the outline of the case, said that the complainant was looking at the Sun Company window when he suddenly lost his fountain pen. A district watchman at the vicinity apprehended defendant and later the complainant identified the pen.

Continuing, he said, "Defendant is well-known to the Police and he has been arrested several times but was clever enough to get away. He works with several men doing the same sort of work." Sentence of two months' imprisonment was imposed on the defendant.

OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES

Yu Lam, 29, unemployed, of 62 Wellington Street, ground floor, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday on three charges. They were: obtaining goods valued at \$13.53 from Kwong Sun, a shop at 68 Des Voeux Road, West, ground floor by false pretences on December 4; obtaining \$13.50 from Tsang Chi, a salesman on December 12 and, by the same method, the sum of \$18 from Lam Cheung, a salesman, of 141 Wing Lok Street, ground floor, on December 14.

Sub-inspector Johnson said that the first and second offences were contracted by telephone, but the third accused went there personally.

Defendant obtained the total sum of \$45.

Defendant: I may be able to get the money if I got a job!

His Worship: What about the money you obtained from these people?—I sent them to the village and some I spent for myself.

His Worship: I shall have to remanded this for two days but if you cannot get the money then, I shall have to remand it for a week.

The case was accordingly remanded in order to give the defendant time to get the money.

ANOTHER SNATCHER APPREHENDED

Imprisonment And Thashing

Tsang Lo, 20, snatched a purse from Hung Shing Ying, at the Mongkok Market on December 21. Defendant was caught by a passer-by after complainant had shouted. He was sentenced to serve 4 months in prison and 4 strokes of the cane when he appeared before Mr. E. Hinmworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

RECORD LOW

DEATH RATE

Fewer Births But England Healthier

The 1935 death rate for England and Wales was the lowest on record. At 11.7 per thousand persons living, it was 0.1 below the rate for 1934 and 0.5 below that for 1933. The figure was, however, offset by a decline in the birth rate.

The first volume of the Registrar-General's statistical review of the year, issued by the Stationery Office, states that the number of live births recorded was 593,756. This total gives a rate of 14.7 per thousand persons living—0.1 below the figure for 1934 and 0.3 above the figure for 1933, which was the lowest ever recorded.

Throughout the review runs the unmistakable indication that so far as the incidence of disease is concerned, England and Wales are yearly becoming healthier countries.

HEALTHIER BABIES
Fifty-seven per 1,000 infants died before their first birthday as compared with 59 in 1934, 64 in 1933, and 123 in the first decade of the century.

Mortality from infectious and parasitic diseases fell to a low record of 1.2 per 1,000. The tuberculosis death-rate, 718 per 1,000,000 was the lowest on record. So also was the pneumonia death-rate at 659 per 1,000,000—the previous low record being 686, recorded in 1930. The cancer rate, corrected for the increasing age of the population, decreased from 1,003 per 1,000,000 to 1,001 per 1,000,000.

Deaths in childbirth, suicides and traffic fatalities all declined. In the first case the figures per 1,000 live and still births were 1.61 from septic causes and 2.33 puerperal causes, compared with 1.95 and 2.46 in the previous year. In the second case, crude rates per 1,000,000 persons living have fallen each year since 1932, the figure for 1935 being 129.

DEATHS FROM HUNGER
The highest birth rate of the whole country was recorded by Durham, the figure being 17.8. The figure for Holland (Lincolnshire) was 0.1 below this.

Hunger and thirst accounted for fourteen deaths in the whole of the year; excessive cold for 26; excessive heat for 59. Thirty people lost their lives as the result of taking part in sport. Fourteen people were killed by lightning. There were 5,223 suicides and 105 murders. Twelve persons were executed. Sixty-nine men died as the result of "wounds of war."

The review estimated the population of the two countries in the middle of last year at 40,645,000—19,500,000 males and 21,145,000 females. The figures indicate a total increase of 698,000 since the census of 1931. In all the age groups above 20 women are in the majority.

R.M.A. DORADO

When the R. M. A. Dorado arrived yesterday morning she brought back to the Colony Mr. N. J. Perrin, who returned from home leave.

He was later welcomed at the luncheon of the Rotary Club at the Hong Kong Hotel by Mr. W. M. Thomas Tam.

The Dorado carried 322,658 kilos of mail and 3,240 kilos of freight.

SCOTS CAN FLY THE LION RAMPANT

As Mark Of Loyalty

The right of Scottish subjects to fly the Lion Rampant flag was raised in the House of Commons recently, and in reply, Mr. Seymour Wedderburn (Under-Secretary of State for Scotland) said:—"There is no objection to the display of the Lion Rampant flag by His Majesty's subjects as a mark of loyalty to the Sovereign."

"At one time objection was taken, on heraldic grounds, to the display of these flags. It became apparent, however, that the Lion Rampant flag made a strong appeal to Scottish sentiment, and in September, 1934, a Royal Warrant was issued to the Lyon King-of-Arms directing that henceforth no official cognisance should be taken of the display of this flag as a mark of loyalty to His Majesty's loyal subjects."

MEANS WHAT IT SAYS
Mr. Mathews—Does that mean that all objections to the flying of this flag at any time in Scotland have been removed, and what is meant by the condition, as a mark of loyalty to the Sovereign? Mr. Wedderburn—I think it means exactly what it says. The Royal Warrant directs that there is no objection to the display of this flag as a mark of loyalty to the Sovereign. I do not think that the hon. member can expect me to enter into a discussion on any other purpose to which it may conceivably be put.

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ELEVEN SPEECHES IN
TEN MINUTES

Eleven leading figures in various branches of British sport united to set up a new record at a luncheon given in their honour by the British Sportsmen's Club, at the Savoy Hotel, London, recently.

Their replies to the toast "Our Guests," proposed by the Chairman, Lord Dunsley, took less than ten minutes "all-in."

The "team" consisted of Squadron Leader F. H. D. Swain, Mr. Giles Guthrie and Mrs. Beryl Markham (aviation), Mrs. Wanda Morgan and Mr. J. McLean (golf), Mrs. Kay Stammers (lawn tennis), Miss Susan Noel (squash), Mr. Jack Beresford and Mr. L. F. Southwood (tennis), Mr. H. H. Whitlock (walking), and Mr. Tommy Ross (the airman newly arrived from Vienna).

Mr. G. W. H. Scott, for whom Mr. Guthrie spoke, was twelfth man.

Modesty was the keynote of the replies, many of which consisted of only two sentences or thanks. Squadron Leader Swain's was typical: "I rather feel that I should not be here, because I merely flew an aeroplane which a great percentage of the R.A.F. could have flown equally well, or even better."

But Miss Noel gained the greatest applause: "I understand this is the first time women have been invited to this lunch. I hope it will not be the last," she said.

TO-DAY'S RADIO PROGRAMMES

Broadcast By Z.B.W. On 355 Metres

12.30 to 2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—A Variety Concert.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Military Band Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press, Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—A Recital by Malcolm McEachern (Bass) and the Angelus Octet.
2 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra. Salut d'Amour (Elgar). I kiss your lips (Rudolph). "La Belle Helene"—Selection (Offenbach).
7.13 p.m.—

From the Studio.
A Programme of Compositions by Harold Scott, Played by the Composer.
Four New Interludes.
Performed for the First Time.
7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—

Variety
Vocal—Gang Show of 1936—Ralph Reader and Chorus. Instrumental—Chicken Reel. If you were the only girl in the world—Brian Lawrence and his Lansdowne House Sextet. Piano Duet—Transatlantic Rhythm—Irving Caesar and Ray Henderson.
Orchestra—A Gypsy Lament. Flor Gitana—Don Rico and his Gypsy Girls Orchestra.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—The British Symphony Orchestra. Sylvia Ballet (Debussy). A thousand and one nights—Waltz (Johann Strauss).
8.30 p.m.—

From the Studio.
A Violin Recital by Susan Jones, A.R.C.M.
1. Sonata in B flat major—Thomas Arne. Poco (Largo)—Gavotta.
2. "Five Irish Folk Tunes"—The Green Bushes, A Bush—a-bye—Howard Ferguson.
3. "Lambert's Clavichord"—De la Mare's Ravane, Sir Hugh's Galliard—Herbert Howells.
8.45 p.m.—London—"London at Christmas Time," a talk by S. R. Littlewood.
9 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.20 p.m.—A Christmas Overture, (Coleridge-Taylor).
Played by the Symphony Orchestra.
Hymns—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Christians, awake,"—The Radio Choir.
9.30 p.m.—From the Studio—The Fourth of a series of talks on "The Early Days of Cricket," by R. Abbit.
9.45 p.m.—

Organ Music.
Evening Song, (Baird), La Nûit (Eliot)—Harry Goss-Custard.
Melody in F (Rubinstein), Berceuse de Jocelyn (Godard)—Edward O'Henry.
Medley of Old Time Songs (Part 1 English, Part 2 Scottish)—Sydney Gustard.
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
10.10 p.m.—Descriptive—Studio Scene (A bit of Opera), (Careless Rapture)—by Ivor Novello, Dorothy Dickson and Olive Gilbert.
Song—Why is there ever goodbye ("Careless Rapture")—
10.18 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

1.05 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB (German, English).
German Folk Song.
1.10 p.m.—Variety Music.
2 p.m.—News in German.
2.45 p.m.—Variety Music (continued).
2.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in New Zealand.
3 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English.
3.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
3.30 p.m.—Chamber Music.
4.15 p.m.—Kall, the White Gold.
4.30 p.m.—Concert of an Army Band.
6 p.m.—Solo Concert, Prof. Bruno Hünzler-Reinhold, Cembalo, Suite minor by Handel, German Air, with Variations by Alessandro Poglietti.
5.30 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German.

6.45 p.m.—Women's Hour: All of us are going to help Of the Party.
6 p.m.—Works for Saxophone and Piano.
Ingrid Larsen, Heinz Lamann.
6.15 p.m.—Sign off DJA and DJB (German, Engl.).
6.55 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJE (German, English).
German Folk Song.
7 p.m.—Concert of Light Music.
8 p.m.—News in English.
8.15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
8.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in India.
9 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German and Call DJQ.
9.15 p.m.—Chamber Music.
10 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English on DJE, DJQ in Dutch on DJA, DJB.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
10.30 p.m.—The colourful world of the opera.
Caste: Thea Consbruch, Franz Wolf, Rolf Helde, the Choir of the German Choral Society, the KWS, Orchestra, directed by Fritz Wicke.
11.45 p.m.—Kall, white gold.
12 midnight—Sign off DJA, DJB, DJQ, DJE (German, Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

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6.30 a.m.—Breakfast Hour of News and Music—English and Spanish Current Events and Variety of the Air, conducted by Don Alva. Morning Exercises by Prof. G. T. Silva of the Insular Life Assurance Company.
7 a.m.—Sign Off.
9.30 a.m.—Nelson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
11.15 a.m.—Sign Off.
2.30 p.m.—Nelson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
3.45 p.m.—Sign Off.
6 p.m.—Sunset Dance Programme by the Lyric Orchestra.
6.15 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.35 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—La Insular Cigar and Cigarette Factory presents "Aires Filipinas," with Juan Siles, Jr. and his String Ensemble.
7.30 p.m.—Question Box Reporter.
7.35 p.m.—Studio Music.
7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia. presents Enya Gonzales.
8 p.m.—Programme Previews.
8.05 p.m.—Symphonic Interlude.
8.15 p.m.—Nippon Bazaar Programme.
8.30 p.m.—Basque Presentation.
8.40 p.m.—Stock Quotations and local market reports.
8.55 p.m.—Stock Quotations in Spanish, through the courtesy of L. R. Nelson and Company.
9.05 p.m.—N.E.A. Programme.
9.35 p.m.—Musical Potpourri.
10 p.m.—Sign Off.

LORD NUFFIELD NOT
EXPECTING WAR

Lord Nuffield has given a £20,000 guarantee to the fund of the Empire Exhibition in Glasgow in 1938, thus bringing the guarantee fund to more than £500,000. This was announced at the luncheon to motor traders given by Lord Nuffield in Glasgow in connection with the Scottish Motor Show.

Mr. A. D. Fraser, of Glasgow, who was sitting beside Lord Nuffield, happened to mention the exhibition, and Lord Nuffield said he had not heard anything about it. He at once offered the £20,000 guarantee.

Lord Nuffield declared he was one of the optimists who did not think that there would be a war.

"I cannot conceive that this country, at any rate, can be so foolish as to put its head into another war, especially to support people from the Continent. I do not see why this country should any longer protect people who have not the slightest use for us in the world."

THE MAN WHO MADE
POPPIES

Major George Howson—the man who established the British Legion poppy factory at Richmond—died at his Kensington home recently, aged fifty.

Major Howson had watched the progress of the poppy factory from the day in 1922 when he started with five employees to make artificial poppies for Armistice Day in a workshop in Old Kent-road. The five assistants have now grown to 368, and the output of

XMAS PARTY IN
GERMANYPoor Children
Entertained

Berlin, Dec. 21.
13,000 Christmas parties were given by the National Socialist Party on Monday afternoon to a total of 3 million children of poor families in Germany. Young and old sat together around festively decorated Christmas trees and sang old songs, several ministers and state secretaries being present at parties in Berlin.

At the largest meeting, minister Goebbels said that he had the great fortune to be able to speak by means of the ether waves, to three million children assembled all over Germany. They had gathered in North, East, South and West to hear the happy Christmas message and then to be presented with gifts by the whole nation in the real sense of the word. On the "Day of National Solidarity" all good Germans had shown a spirit of unprecedented self-sacrifice in giving, and thus had united not only in a national community but also in the real German love of one's neighbour.

The donations given on this day were now providing happiness for German children. The Christmas message of peace on earth had become really true in Germany. The whole nation therefore thanked the Almighty that he had so graciously blessed and protected all Germans in the years of distress and anxiety.

"In this hour, concluded Dr. Goebbels, let us all join in the sincere thanks to our Fuehrer who has become a special patron saint of the children in our nation. In this festival he is united with all German children in spirit. Three million shining pairs of children's eyes look up to his picture and his example. I see them before me in my mind and I feel in this moment the hearts of three million children happily looking forward to the festive hour."

Transocean News Service.

BOY WITH MIND
OF A MAN OF
FORTY"All The Worries Of
The World"
TRAGIC INQUEST
STORY

Stated by his father to have had the mind of a man of 40, Peter Macdonald Thomas, a 16-year-old schoolboy, whose body was discovered on the railway line, was found by the jury at a Barmley inquest recently, to have committed suicide when mentally unbalanced.

The father, Ernest Thomas, a carpenter, said that although the boy was happy at school and played games, he appeared to have had advanced views.

The Coroner (Mr. C. J. Haworth) quoted from a letter written by the boy: "I had decided to die at least four weeks before this because I realise I was far too backward in everything, and I have no hope that I should be able to perform all that I desire, i.e., in Greek, Latin, &c. in future."

In another letter the boy stated that he desired his classical books to be handed to certain people. The father said that in addition to his work at school the boy had done considerable studies on his own.

Dr. G. Horne, said that the manuscript left by the boy showed that he had been contemplating taking his life.

"There is remarkable knowledge of Latin and Greek, religious and social matters, displayed in the letters," he said. "The boy has evidently taken upon himself all the cares and worries of the world. Apparently he had no personal worries. He had been dipping into subjects which he would never get at school."

The Coroner—You think he has shown a certain amount of unsoundness of mind?

Dr. Horne—To a certain extent. There is no reason why he should attempt to rectify the world in the way he suggests.

The Richmond factory is over 30,000,000 poppies each year. "He was a sort of unpaid managing-director and devoted a great deal of time, energy and money to the factory," said friend.

DIARY OF LOCAL
EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

Anniversaries and Holidays—
St. Victoria, V.M.
Auction—Household Furniture, at Lammer's Hong Kong Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.
Cinema—
King's—"Murder By An Aristocrat."
Queen's—"Swing Time."
Central—"Mr. Robinson Crusoe."
Oriental—"Human Cargo."
World—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra—"Too Tough To Kill."
Majestic—"The Law In Her Hands."
Star—"Brides Are Like That."
Entertainments—"Jack and the Beanstalk," at Y.M.C.A., 9.00 p.m.
Meetings—St. Andrew's Club Committee, 6.30 p.m.
Miscellaneous—Claims against the Estate of Winifred Alured Conyn Plat, due: St. Andrew's, Children's Christmas Tree and Gift Service, 6.00 p.m.; St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Carol Party Tour of Central Kowloon, leaving Church at 7.30 p.m.; Lepers' Christmas fund closes in evening.
Rehearsals—Christmas Carols and Hymns, Kowloon Tong Anglican Church, 6 p.m.
Religious—Massfield's "Coming of Christ," in St. John's Cathedral, 9.15 p.m.

Sports

Football—Second Division, Navy v. Royal Ulster Rifles (Navy ground), 4 p.m.; Third Division, Kumbson Rifles v. R.A.M.C. (Chatham Road), 4 p.m.; Military League, Mainland Final, "C" R. W. F. v. H. Q. East Lancs. (Prince Edward Road), 3.45 p.m.; R. A. O. C. v. 40th Coy. R. E. (Military, Happy Valley), 4.15 p.m.
Hockey—Triangular Tournament, Royal Navy v. Army (Marina ground), 4 p.m.
Hunt—Fanning Hunt (Potts Bungalow), 2.45 p.m.
Shooting—Hong Kong Rifle Association Spoon and Practice Shoot (Army Range, Kowloon City), 2 p.m.
Snooker—Steel Coulson League, F. O. Mess v. Signals, D.R.C. v. C.U.C., E. W. Fusiliers v. R. E. Mess, G. S. Mess v. R.N.P.
Moon—XI Moon, 10th Day.
Sunrise—6.59 a.m. Sunset—5.45 p.m.
Tides—High at 4.18 and 17.00; Low at 10.10.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

Anniversaries and Holidays—
Fast of Tebeth, Christmas Eve. The Vigil of Christmas.
Auctions—Crown Lands, at Land Office, Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m.
Cinema—
King's—"Murder By An Aristocrat."
Queen's—"Mummy's Boys."
Central—"Mud on The Bounty."
Oriental—"The Poor Little Rich Girl."
World—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra—"Walking On Air."
Majestic—"The Law In Her Hands."
Star—"30 Steps."
Entertainments—"Jack and the Beanstalk," at Y.M.C.A., 5 p.m.
Grand Xmas Variety Entertainment by 1st Band, Royal Ulster Rifles, at Ball Room, Hotel Cecil, 8.00 p.m.
Lectures—Theosophical Society, 6 p.m.
Miscellaneous—St. Andrew's Club "Open" Night, 9 p.m.
Moon—XI Moon, 11th Day.
Religious—Midnight Mass in all Catholic Churches.
Social—Cheero Club Bridge and Mah Jong Drive, 8 p.m.
Sports.
Football—Military League, "A" R. W. F. v. 24th (H) Bty. R. A. (Chatham Road), 2.30 p.m.; 20th (H) Bty. R. A. v. Royal Corps of Signals (Chatham Road), 4.15 p.m.; "A" (East Lancs. v. "D" R. W. F. (Prince Edward Road), 4.15 p.m.; Island Final, "D" R. W. F. or 9th A. A. Bty. R. A. v. 22nd Coy. R. E. (Sookumpoo), 3.45 p.m.
Sunrise—6.59 a.m. Sunset—5.44 p.m.
Tides—High at 2.38 and 16.09; Low at 9.22 and 22.48.

"Sure the green is for old Ireland," said the London Irishman explaining traffic lights.
"Faith," said the visiting compatriot, "the little time they give the Orangemen to skip over."
When asked by her grandmother if she would like to go to the fair and ride on the roundabout, little Miss Moberly replied: "I don't mind, if it will amuse you."

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FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY.

H.G. WELLS' THINGS TO COME
with a cast of 20,000 in this
exciting motion picture

THE ROGERS STABLE

Charles "Buddy" Rogers, who recently became a convert to polo, received a shipment of polo ponies, and an entire carload of trained ponies, as a gift from his father, Judge Bert H. Rogers of Olathe, Kansas.

and a five-gaited, thoroughbred, were reared and trained on his father's big horse and cattle ranch near his home town in Kansas, according to the screen player.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"Murder By An Aristocrat"
QUEEN'S:—
"Swing Time"
ORIENTAL:—
"Human Cargo"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Too Tough To Kill"
MAJESTIC:—
"The Law In Her Hands"
STAR:—
"Brides Are Like That"

Coming

KING'S:—
"Our Relations"
QUEEN'S:—
"Mummy's Boys"
ORIENTAL:—
"Poor Little Rich Girl"
ALHAMBRA:—
"Walking On Air"
STAR:—
"The 39 Steps"
MAJESTIC:—
"Things To Come"

"MURDER BY AN ARISTOCRAT"

A new and baffling mystery melodrama, "Murder by an Aristocrat," comes to the King's Theatre to-day, with Lyle Talbot, Marguerite Churchill and Claire Dodd in the leading roles.

Five members of a proud, aristocratic family are being blackmailed by a blacksheep ne'er-do-well, who later is found with a bullet through his heart in the library of the home. Another member of the family is found dead in the attic, evidently a victim of a poisonous drug.

The others of the family are suspected, as also are the butler and two maids. To complicate matters, however, the aged, spinster head of the family declares that a string of costly emeralds has been stolen, and the district attorney, also a relative, tries to make out a case of murder for the purpose of robbery in order to save his kin from scandal.

Other members are Virginia Brissac, William Davidson, Gordon Elliott, Joseph Crehan and Florence Fair. Stuart Holmes is the butler and Lottie Williams and Mary Treen, the two maids.

"TOO TOUGH TO KILL"

Featuring Victor Jory and Sally O'Neil, Columbia's "Too Tough To Kill," a story of the construction of a segment of the Colorado River Aqueduct high in the parched mountains of the Sierra Nevada range, is the showing to-day at the Alhambra Theatre.

Revolving around the construction of the tunnel through the hard rock of the mountains while cave-ins, death dealing explosions, landslides and a band of murderers strive to prevent completion of the project on time, "Too Tough To Kill" is a story of galvanizing action and thrilling romance.

When Victor Jory, as John O'Hara, is placed in charge of the construction job, he finds not only defective machinery holding back work, but a band of malcontents determined to go to any extreme, even murder, to prevent the tunnel from being finished on time.

At the same time, Sally O'Neil, as Ann Miller, a beautiful and competent newspaper reporter, is sent to the construction camp by her paper to determine why the project is far behind schedule. She and Jory battle galore because Jory resents a woman snooping around the camp.

When Sally discovers a plot to kill Victor, and a dozen miners working deep in the mine, it is she who races into the mine in the face of almost certain death, to rescue the man she loves. And, hard-as-rock, Jory discovers he has a very soft spot for the snooping newspaper dame.

Ward Bond, Thurston Hall, Gene Morgan, Frank Rice, Robert Gleckler and Johnny Arthur are in the supporting cast. Direction is by D. Ross Lederman from a story by Robert D. Speers, adapted the screen by Lester Cole and J. Griffin Jay.

Rogers is enthusiastic about polo and is playing at the Riviera Country Club with Walt Disney's team. With the engine gift from his father, Rogers now has a string of seven horses, five polo ponies and two gaited thoroughbreds.

NEWS FLASHES

GRACIE GETS MORE THAN THE GARBO

Miss Gracie Fields has started her last picture for Mr. Basil Dean at Baling. When this is finished she will go into a Cochran show, and then start a new contract with 20th Century-Fox. She is the highest paid actress in the industry, earning more even than Greta Garbo. Her expiring contract with Basil Dean gave her £50,000 a film, which worked out at £2 a minute. It seemed that no one could pay any star more, but 20th Century-Fox have just concluded a deal by which she will get more than £50,000 a picture. "I do not know whether I shall make any films for 20th Century here or in Hollywood, but I'm afraid it will be here," Miss Fields said. "If 20th Century told me they wanted me to go to Hollywood I should be tickled to death, but I'm afraid they won't. The only place I am sure of going is Capri in my old age! I've bought a villa there."

Gracie's new pictures will be directed by Monty Banks.

"THE LAW IN HER HANDS"

With Margaret Lindsay and Glenda Farrell teamed as a pair of young women lawyers, "The Law In Her Hands," the new First National comedy drama which comes to the Majestic Theatre to-day, is gay with fun and vivid with swift and dramatic action.

The picture literally starts with a bang when a racketeer hurls a bomb into a restaurant where the two feminine lawyers are being photographed at luncheon by a news cameraman. This starts their career for they squash the gangster's alibi by producing the photograph which shows him just behind the two girls.

Their cleverness catches the attention of the boss racketeer who offers them a fat retainer to handle his business for him. The girls refuse until Warren Hull, who has the role of an assistant district attorney, and the lover of Miss Lindsay, makes the mistake of having her appointed to defend a criminal from whom he already has obtained a confession.

Furious at being framed, the woman lawyers first win their case, and then decide to fight tricks with tricks. They accept the offer of the racketeer to handle his cases, and become famous as criminal lawyers, winning cases by tricks, not only clever, but hilariously funny.

Lyle Talbot has the part of the boss racketeer who overplays his hand when he poisons milk for babies to enforce his graft and murders witnesses to cover up his tracks.

Kidnaped by the gangster when she refuses to handle his case, Miss Lindsay pretends to come to her senses, wins his battle in court, and then in one of the most amazing and thrilling climaxes imaginable, reveals the ruse she had resorted to, and convicts her own client of murder by incontrovertible evidence.

Eddie Acuff has the role of a humorously dumb-process server for the two lawyers; Al Shean, formerly of Gallagher and Shean, is the restaurateur whose place is bombed by a racketeer, the latter part played by Matty Fain. Dick Purcell is a mugg and others in the cast include Joseph Crehan, Addison Richards, Milt Kibbee, Eddie Shubert, Mebel Colecord and Billy Wayne.

William Clemens directed the picture from the screen play by George Bricker and Lucel Ward, based on Bricker's original story.

FORTHCOMING FILM

May Robson And Dean Jagger

May Robson, who first came to screen fame under Columbia's banner in her sensational success, "Lady For A Day" and Dean Jagger, prominent stage and screen leading man, recently were engaged for a forthcoming production entitled "Woman In Distress," in which Miss Robson will be seen in another of those roles which has made her famous.

After appearing on the stage for fifty years without missing one season, Miss Robson was persuaded to come to the screen and made her debut in "Mother's Millions" and was later seen in "Tetty Lynton," "Reunion In Vienna" and "The Solitaire Man." She attained her first big cinema success in Columbia's "Lady For A Day" followed by "The Mills of the Gods." Some of the other pictures which have helped to proclaim Miss Robson as one of the most popular actresses on the screen included, "Grand Old Girl," "Reckless," "Vanessa—Her Love Story," "Strangers All," "Three Kids and a Queen" and "Wife Versus Secretary."

Dean Jagger gained popularity on the stage before coming to pictures several years ago. He has appeared prominently during the current season in "Woman Trap," "13 Hours Air" and "Revolt of the Zombies."

ELEANOR POWELL'S ADVICE

To Would-Be Dancers

"The modern chorus girl has to take not only a dancing course, but a pre-dancing course as well."

So Eleanor Powell, who obtained this information from the chorus dancers on the "Born to Dance" set, has put all of the suggestions together for girls who would like to enter the screen via the dancing route, but don't know how to start.

Eleanor found that if a girl is beautiful and has a perfect figure, she can get a dancing job, even though she doesn't know one step from another. If she has followed the following rules:

1. Go to musical pictures to get a general idea of what the girls have to do.
2. Listen to all types of music to obtain various types of rhythm.
3. Do general leg exercises.
4. Learn to walk without looking at your feet.
5. Take care of your feet, wearing shoes that are comfortable and the proper size.
6. Keep weight down.
7. Learn to balance by walking a straight line with a book on your head.
8. Take deep breathing exercises for wind control.
9. Practise pantomime in the mirror.
10. Relax your entire body and merely hop up and down, to the rhythm of gramophone records, ten minutes every morning.

Eleanor adds that this schedule should be followed for at least two or three months, before applying for a dancing job.

FORTUNE FOR MISS NORMA SHEARER

Husband's £2,000,000

Miss Norma Shearer is named as the principal heiress under the will of her husband, Irving Thalberg, the film producer, who died on Sept. 15. His estate is estimated at more than £2,000,000.

The amount Miss Shearer will inherit is not revealed. It will, how-

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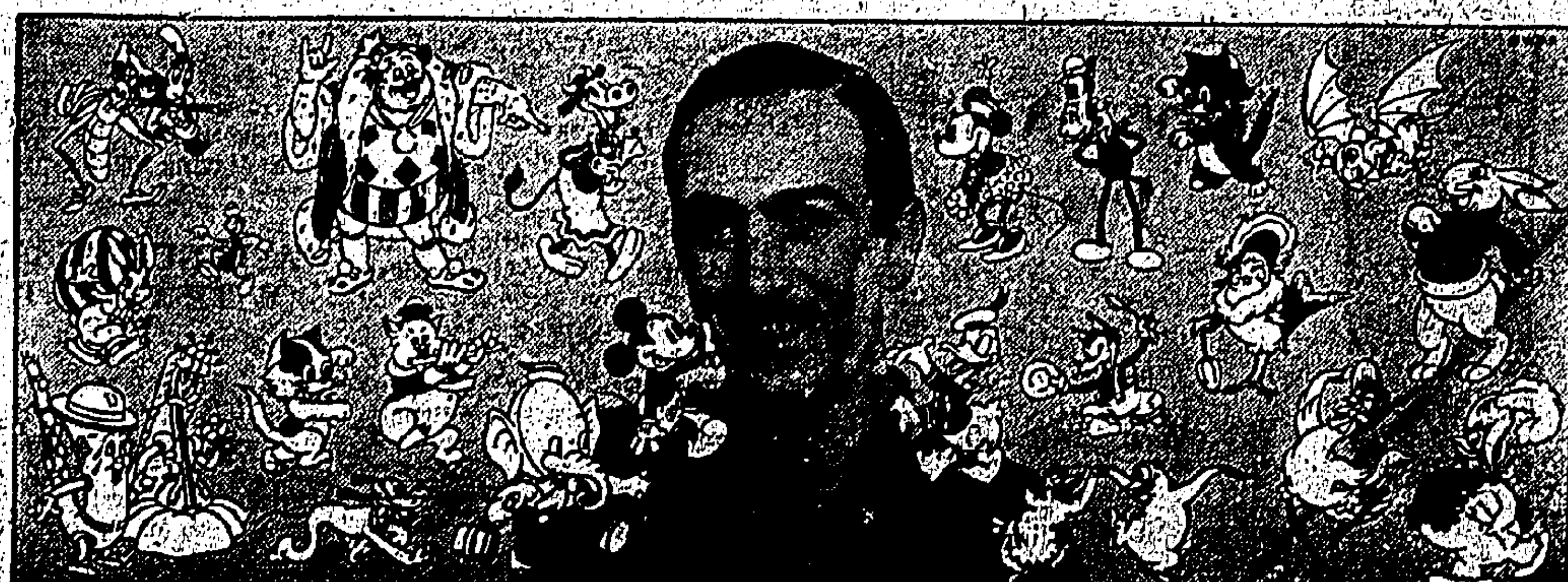
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MADELEINE CARROLL - GAUMONT-BRITISH PICTURE

ever, undoubtedly be sufficient to make her one of the world's wealthiest actresses.

It is known that the sources of Mr. Thalberg's income at the time of his death included an annual salary of \$100,000 from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, a large block of shares in Loew's and a percentage

interest in Loew's profits. Miss Shearer's film salary was about \$700 a week. She is not working at present.

Specific bequests in the form of long-term trusts were left by Mr. Thalberg to his two children, his sisters, Cousins, uncles and aunts receive £2,000 each.



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REPULSE BAY TRAGEDY

Conclusion Of Inquest Into Death Of Mrs. Carnrick

VERDICT OF SUICIDE

At the second and last day's hearing of the circumstances attending the death of Mrs. M. L. Carnrick, whose demise occurred on October 28, the jury returned a verdict of suicide without any further remarks.

Mr. K. Keen sat as Coroner and Inspector J. O'Donovan was present in Court on behalf of the Police.

The jury was composed of Messrs. J. Murphy, (foreman), J. F. E. Rozario and K. R. Macaskill.

The first witness was Mr. Plovenelli, Manager of the Hong Kong Hotel, who stated that he knew the deceased, as she stayed at the Repulse Bay Hotel and frequently came into Hong Kong Hotel.

He said: "As far as I can remember it was on October 27, between 9 and 10 p.m., that I saw her waving to someone from the first floor. I was in evening dress coming out of the grill room. The deceased had on a dark red and blue spotted dress."

The next witness, Mr. J. Semmler, manager of the Repulse Bay Hotel, said that he knew the deceased. "Up to the time of her death she lived in the Repulse Bay Hotel. She first came to the Hotel on May 28 and stayed till July 18. She then occupied Room 326 until June 12 and after she moved to Room 221. When she first came, she paid \$300 per month but when she moved to Room 221 she had only to pay \$200."

During the times when she stayed in the Hotel she was absent on one occasion and at the time of her death she was in debt to the Hotel to the sum of \$190.90, almost her months' rent. Some time in October she mentioned about leaving the Hotel.

We had a resident in the Hotel by the name of Stanley Cobham and they were rather attached and the deceased mentioned to me that she might become engaged to him. Mr. Stanley Cobham took ill during the time she was absent on one occasion and some time towards the end of August he died in Hospital. The death was from natural causes.

On October 28, I visited the Mortuary and identified the body as Mrs. Carnrick.

Mr. Semmler added that when the police came on October 28 to search the deceased's room he was told to lock it; he did and kept the key in his safe.

F. Lieut. Philip Smith of the R.A.F. Reserve also stated that he knew the deceased. "I took her up on several flights and, as far as I can remember, it was at one time that the woman came along and I helped her on to the plane and strapped her in. When we were off I noticed that the safety straps were undone. I immediately brought the plane down and warned her of the danger. Her shoes were off and I told her to put them on. I also told her that she could not go up if she did not put on her shoes and use the safety straps. Later we completed the flight."

I took no notice of this incident at that time but some days later when I read the newspapers about her death I instantly recalled that day." The witness added that he was the Chief Flying Instructor of the Far East Flying School at Kai Tak.

Tang Sui Ting, a room boy of the Repulse Bay Hotel, said that on October 27, at 7.30 p.m. he went in the deceased's room, as it was his duty to clean all the rooms but did not see the deceased. Later in the evening he added that he went in the room again, but whilst coming out of the room he saw the deceased walking in the corridor of the Hotel. "She had on a coloured dress and I did not notice if she wore a hat or not."

This was the last time I saw the deceased and when I went to her room the next morning I found the bed had not been slept in and there was no sign of the deceased. There was another room boy who stated that he saw the deceased leave the Hotel that evening."

Kwok Chou, another Repulse Bay Hotel room boy said that he saw the deceased sitting at the second table on the West verandah at 8.15 p.m. on October 27, and added that it was the last time he saw her.

Sergeant Cashman said that on October 28, he went to the Repulse Bay Hotel on the consequence of a report. "I went in Room 339 which was occupied by the late Mrs. Carnrick and made a search in the room for any motive and documents. No notes, or letters, were found and when I left I ordered the room to be locked."

The following day I was out with a party to make a search where the body was found but there was nothing there. A few days later I found a dress which was identified in Court as the one belonging to the deceased. It was on October 30 that I took possession of all the exhibits identified in Court. On the same day I took the goods to the Government Analyst in a sealed package and it was returned on the 15th of this month.

Sergeant Cashman added that a marriage certificate was also found which had her name as Maud Lehman Carnrick. It was also written as her initials on her hand bag.

At this stage Detective Sub-Inspector O'Donovan said that he took the ring and the corsets from the deceased at the Mortuary.

WHIPPING FOR BAG SNATCHER

Also Imprisonment

Chan Ngan-wong, 20, unemployed, who appeared before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday on remand, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with 16 strokes with the cane for the larceny of a hand bag.

Det-Sergeant Bentley said that the defendant came behind complainant while she was on some steps leading to the Government Offices, and snatched her bag from under her right arm. The defendant ran towards Garden Road and was arrested there.

It was a brown leather bag containing \$2.21 Hong Kong currency, and a gold ring belonging to Miss Okada, at Upper Albert Road on Sunday.

COMPANY TO BE RESTORED

An application for restoring the name of the Pacific Banking and Exchange Company, Limited, in the Register of Companies by Mr. Leo D'Almada, jr., instructed by Mr. R. A. Wadson, was granted according to the terms of the petition, by His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday morning.

Mr. D'Almada stated that for certain reasons the name of the company was struck off the Register of Companies in the year 1924. There is a sum of money in a certain bank and the directors of the Company have decided that the only way of getting the money back is by applying for the name of the company to be restored in the Register.

Mr. D'Almada added that the petition is not being opposed by the Registrar of Companies.

THEFT OF BRASS PIPES

Lau Kau, 28, a dockyard coolie, was sentenced to three months' hard labour yesterday when he appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for the larceny of 15 pounds of brass pipes. It was alleged that the defendant had stolen them from a ship.

Sergeant Danbrousky said that the pipes were tied around the defendant's legs. He was arrested whilst leaving the dockyard gates.

ALLEGED ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO ROB

Wong Chau, a 25-year-old street coolie, was charged before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for having assaulted Ngan Kwai-hing with intent to rob on Canton Road on December 18.

Detective Sergeant Rogers asked for a week's remand, which was granted.

JAPANESE MASTER FINED

Left Colony Without Being Searched

Capt. Ibuchi of the N.K.K. Line was summoned before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for sailing his ship, s.s. Luchan Maru to Canton on November 18 without a clearance from the police.

Det-Sergeant Brooks told the court that he was informed by the Harbour Office on November 17 that the Luchan Maru was leaving on the next day. Accompanied by a party of police he went on board the next day to carry out a search.

When, half completing the search, Capt. Ibuchi told him that the vessel would not sail till 10 p.m. He then told him that the ship would have to be searched again before it could embark. At 1 p.m. on the same day he observed the ship leaving the harbour.

Mr. E. Himsforth told the captain that sailing a ship from Hong Kong without a search was subject to a piracy risk.

Defendant was fined \$50.

ATTEMPTED OF UTTERING FORGED NOTE

Imprisonment And Banishment Imposed

Wong Keup, 28, unemployed, who appeared before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday on remand was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and a banishment of nine months' was imposed on him, making a total of 15 months, for having a \$5 forged note in his possession.

Sgt Davies, who prosecuted, said that on December 20, the defendant boarded a bus on Connaught Road near the Central Theatre. Defendant produced a \$5 note to pay his bus-fare, but the conductor had no change so the defendant left the bus and was followed by a detective.

The detective immediately arrested the defendant and the accused had in his possession at the time \$36.70 (Hong Kong) and \$44.51 (Chinese currency).

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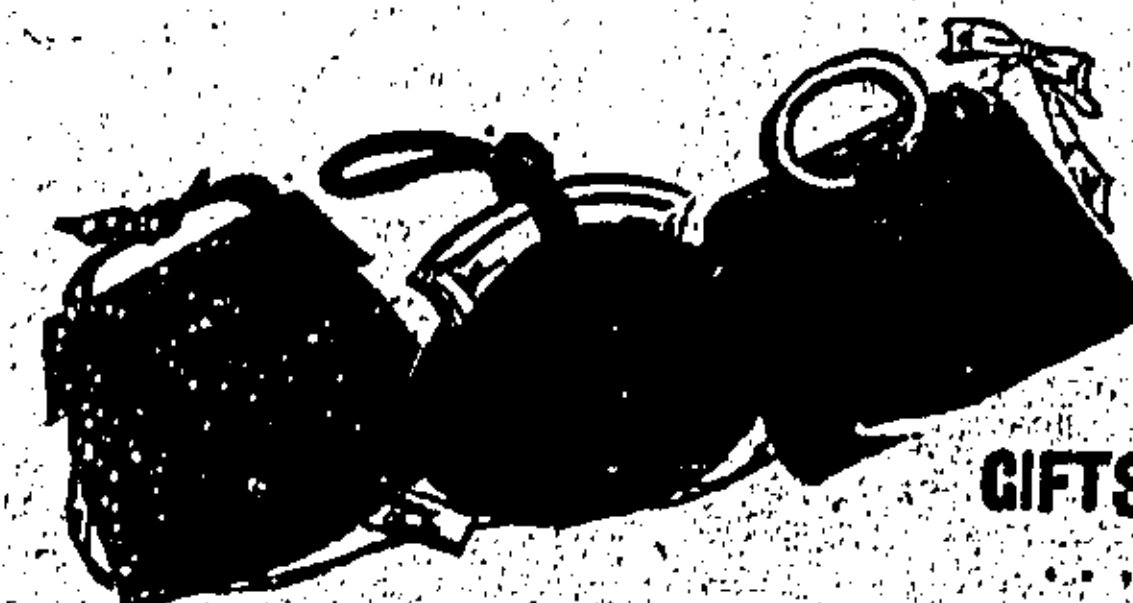
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CHINA EMPORIUM

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

Discussion On Flies

At yesterday's meeting of the Urban Council replies to questions asked by Dr. Li Shu-fan regarding flies in the Colony were given by the Chairman (Mr. R. E. Todd).

In the course of his replies, Mr. Todd mentioned that numerous fly larvae were found in an area of the Kennedy Town reclamation which was recently cleared of squatters' huts, and it might be that this spot was the chief breeding place of house-flies in this locality.

Dr. Li Shu-fan asked the following questions:—

"In view of the menace due to house-flies in the spread of infections such as dysentery, typhoid, cholera, etc., will the Chairman kindly furnish answers to the following questions:—

1. Is the Government aware that:

(a) there is an unusual increase in number of flies in the Colony during the present year?

(b) the existence of an enormous number of flies at the Kun Tong refuse-dump, where they are being favourably and prolifically bred uncontrolled?

(c) the large number of flies found on the refuse-barges which ply and convey flies between the city and the refuse-dumps?

(d) the grounds adjacent to the Kennedy Town and Ma Tau Kok slaughter Houses used for the drying of animal blood and hair, are full of flies, and are extensive areas for breeding them?

2. Is there any organized measure made hitherto by this Council for the destruction, mitigation and/or prevention of breeding of flies in any of the places (a) referred to above and (b) elsewhere?

3. If the answer to (2) is in the negative, will the Government make a statement of policy and state what steps it proposes to take with a view to controlling and ameliorating existing conditions?"

ANSWERS

The Chairman replied as follows: 1. (a) The Government is not aware that there has been any increase in the number of flies in the Colony during the present year.

(b) The Government is aware of the existence of flies at the Kun Tong refuse dump.

(c) The Government is aware of the fact that flies are attracted to the refuse barges.

(d) The Government is aware that at times there are flies in the grounds adjacent to the Kennedy Town and Ma Tau Kok Slaughter Houses.

2. The prevention of the breeding of flies at the Kun Tong refuse dump has been attempted by building up the dump in a systematic manner and filling. But this left an enormous area of the previously dumped refuse which was still capable of breeding flies and the experiment has been dropped. It is hoped that next year sluice from the dredging of the Harbour will be available for spreading over the surface of the dump. In the meantime the further experiment of lighting slow-burning fires for the creation of a smoke-screen to drive away the flies will be tried, but it may be found that the smoke makes working conditions too unpleasant for the coolies.

Flies which are attracted to the refuse barges do not entirely desert the barges before they return empty to the city and this in spite of the fact that the barges are washed down with sea water before they return. Steps will be taken to spray the empty barges with kerosene emulsion.

It is only to be expected that the animals in the Slaughter Houses and the animal hair which is dried on the adjacent cemented surfaces will be attractive to certain types of flies, e.g. blue-bottles. The sites are kept as clean as possible by the removal of decaying vegetation and flies are caught in traps, but inspection shows that very few fly larvae or pupae are to be found. The areas surrounding the drying grounds are treated from time to time with oil and chloride of lime. Numerous fly larvae were found in an area of the Kennedy Town reclamation which was recently cleared of squatters' huts and it may be that this spot was the chief breeding place of house-flies in that locality.

3. See the answer to question 2. The Sanitary Department is always ready to take steps to ameliorate conditions, if possible, in any area where a nuisance is discovered by its officers or is reported by the public.

APPLICATIONS REFUSED

The following applications were refused:—

Application for an eating house licence for No. 27, Woonung Street, ground floor.

Application for an eating house licence for No. 92, Queen's Road West, ground floor.

Application for an eating house licence for No. 139, Reclamation Street, ground floor.

Application for an eating house licence for No. 5, Landale Street, ground floor.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 29, Stone Nullah Lane, ground floor.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 37, Queen's Road West, ground, first and second floors and roof.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 372, Shanghai Street, ground floor.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 1027, Canton Road, ground floor.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 4, Moon Street, ground floor.

Application for a food factory licence for No. 2, Moon Street, ground floor (front portion).

Application for an offensive trade licence for No. 89, Chun Young Street, ground floor.

Application for a laundry licence for No. 291, Hennessy Road, ground floor.

TRIBUTE PAID

Before the meeting terminated, the Chairman paid tribute to the sterling work performed by Messrs. Roe and Im Ping Tsung during the past twelve months. He wished members a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Present at the meeting were: The Chairman (Mr. Todd), Vice-Chairman (Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington), Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Director of Public Works), Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North), Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping Tsung (Assistant Secretary).

The following licences were granted by the Urban Council between 8.12.36 and 21.12.36:— Food Factories (4), Food Preserving Establishment (4), Offensive Trades (1), Laundries (6), Swine (3), Milk Shops (1), Food Shops (1), Eating Houses (1), Restaurants (1).

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE CARNIVAL DANCE

There were nearly 200 people present at the Christmas Carnival dance held in the hall of St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Tai Hang last night. The hall was tastefully decorated with streamers, balloons and festoons. Among those who attended were Mr. Alfred Morris, Director of Ambulance, and several Officers of the Corps and their ladies. Music was supplied by the "Semreh" dance band and dancing was enjoyed until 1 a.m. Light refreshments were served in the course of the evening. The dance was successfully arranged by Mrs. R. Langley (Secretary). Mr. S. A. Gray discharged the duties of M. C. in a most efficient manner.

LORD HORDER ON PSEUDO-SCIENCE

Lord Horder, presiding at a conference organised by the Central Council for Health Education at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, recently said that care was needed to warn the public against pseudo-science masquerading as the real thing. The shibboleths of pseudo-science, he declared, so easily became ramps, science being prostituted to commercialism. "The whole position of advertisements in relation to health questions is badly in need of overhauling," he added. "The truth is that nature taught man to be healthy, long before science discovered the laws of physiology."

SERVICE NEWS

Naval Appointments

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on December 11:—

Capt.-L. C. A. St. J. Gurzon-Howe, M.V.O., to Dundee (April 22), and to Dundee, in command. Lt.-Cdr. (E).—L. F. Ingram, to Pembroke, as assistant to Ch. Engr. Sheerness Yard (December 29), and G. L. Bailey, to Glorious (January 5).

Chaplains.—Rev. C. Davies, to London (on recomm.); and Rev. L. D. Sherley-Price, to Eagle (on comm.).

Lt.-D. J. A. Heber-Percy, to Hex (Jan. 30).

Lt. (E).—J. G. Cannon, to Bos-cawen (Jan. 4).

Sub-Lts.—R. W. V. Hamilton, to Barham (Dec. 15); the Hon. W. A. C. Keppel, to Niger (Jan. 14); and P. C. S. Black, to Griffin (Jan. 15).

Wt. Engr.—K. P. Clarke, to Weston (Jan. 1).

PROMOTIONS

Act. Sub-Lt.—J. H. Dundas, to rank of Sub-Lt. (seny. April 16). Payr. Cadet.—D. W. Sherwood, to rank of Payr. Mid. (seny. Oct. 1).

ENTRY

Mr. T. A. M. Maunsell, M.B., as Surg. Lt. for short service (seny. Dec. 4), and apptd. to Victory for R.N. Hosp. Haslar.

ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE Engr. Cdr.—C. S. Lewis, to Berwick (Jan. 9).

Lt. (Retd.).—J. Sharples, promoted to Lt.-Cdr. (retd.). (seny. Dec. 1).

Payr. Lt.—C. W. Sheldon, placed on the Retd. List, at own request (Dec. 3).

Act. Sub-Lts.—P. W. Clark, to Scout; and A. L. G. Gillies, to Winchester (Dec. 20); and S. E. Jagger, to Curacao (Dec. 21).

Mid.—G. W. Forest, promoted to Act. Sub-Lt. (Dec. 2).

ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

Proby. Payr. Sub-Lt.—N. Day, to Iron Duke (Jan. 9).

Mr. R. W. M. Cottingham, entered as Proby. Payr. Lt. (seny. Nov. 27); C. W. R. Harrison, entered as Proby. (Sub-Lt. (seny. Nov. 20); and C. G. Gedd, entered as Proby. Payr. Sub-Lt. (seny. Dec. 11).

THE CHINA STATION

On December 28 H.M.S. Sandwich, Commander R. E. F. M. Mackenzie, D.S.O., will leave Hong Kong for Wei-Hai-Wei in place of the Grimsby. H.M.S. Folkestone, Captain B. C. Martin, will return to Singapore on December 16 from her present cruise in the East Indian Archipelago, and will remain until after Christmas.

The Army

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE DESIGN DEPARTMENT

The War Office announces the following appointments:—

Colonel A. E. Macrae, O.B.E., to be Superintendent, Design Department, Royal Arsenal Woolwich, with effect from March 30, 1937.

Colonel A. R. Va'on, O.B.E., M.C., M.Mech.E., Royal Army Ordnance Corps, to be Principal Ordnance Mechanical Engineer, the War Office, with effect from January 23, 1937.

Colonel D. W. Cunningham, to be Assistant Director of Supplies and Transport, Scottish Command, with effect from April 14, 1937.

Colonel Macrae was selected last month to take up the post of Deputy Superintendent in the Design Dept., when Col. E. M. C. Clarke becomes a member of the Ordnance Committee. The deputy appointment is, therefore, an interim one pending Colonel F. C. N. Bishop completing four years as Superintendent. Colonel Macrae is Superintendent of Experiments at Shoeburyness, and, as already announced, will be succeeded by Lt.-Col. F. N. O. Royster, M.B.E., M.C., from the Fixed Defences of the Southern Ports.

Colonel Va'on is at Horse Guards as Chief Ordnance Mechanical Engineer for the Eastern Command. He will succeed Brigadier E. J. J. Britton, D.S.O., who will be 57 next month. The new P.O.M.E. has been in the Service since 1906. After the War he was instructor at Ely, D.A.D. at the War Office, 1st Class O.M.E. at Tidworth, and chief O.M.E. at Northern Command Headquarters, India.

Colonel Cunningham, who is on the half-pay list, has been in the A.S.C. since 1906. He has been D.A.D. of S. and T. in Gallipoli.

KOWLOON DOCKS XMAS PARTY

Pantomime Presented

TREAT FOR THE CHILDREN

A happy time was spent at the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club yesterday afternoon when the annual Christmas Tree and Christmas Pantomime was held in the Reading Room. The hall was gaily decorated by Mr. W. Jenner with flags.

Mrs. E. Cock, wife of Mr. E. Cock, Chief Manager of the Kowloon Docks, and many members of the staff attended.

There was a very amusing incident during the afternoon when the kiddies enjoyed immensely and that was when Master W. Forsyth, A. MacKenzie, W. Tully and M. Osovie were presented with cabbages, carrots, etc., in appreciation of their efforts!

Mr. P. B. Parks kindly acted as Father Christmas during the presentation of gifts to the children.

After a splendid tea had been served, games were played, following which "Cinderella," a burlesque pantomime, was presented.

The producer was Mr. W. Forsyth assisted by Miss Margaret Bell, who also played the piano.

The cast was as follows:—Cinderella (William Forsyth); Prince (Alan MacKenzie); Fairy Godmother (Olwyn Greig); Dandini (Manuel Osovie); Scene Shifter (William Tully); Villagers and Huntsmen (Margaret Mackie, Peggy Crookdake and Emily McKelvie); Fairies (Joyce Sturgeon, Florence McKelvie, Dorothy Craig and Elsie Morrison); Sinbad (the Sailor (Dawn Ramsay); Little Red Riding Hood (Shella Cooper).

The pantomime was voted a great success judging by the applause of the delighted kiddies.

Musical items in the pantomime were:—Villagers' Opening Chorus (by the Villagers); "I'm In Love All Over Again" (Duet by Prince and Cinderella); Hunting Chorus (sung by Fairy Godmother); and "Fall In and Follow Me" (sung by ensembles).

Dance numbers were:—Burlesque dance (by Prince, Cinderella and Scene Shifter); Tap Dance (by Emily McKelvie); Sailor's Hornpipe (by Sinbad the Sailor); Dance (by Little Red Riding Hood); Fairies' Ballet dance.

QUARANTINE

The public is notified that Quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrivals from Pakhoi on account of small-pox.

and on the staff of the E.E.F., an administrative officer in the Near East, and Lieutenant-colonel in Egypt. He was promoted last February. He will succeed Colonel A. E. Holbrook, D.S.O., who will be 57 in April.

The following have assumed appointments overseas:— Captain A. J. H. Doya, from R.E. duty in Palestine, as Brigade Major, 16th Infantry Brigade.

Lieutenant P. U. Campbell, 1st Battalion, The Highland Light Infantry, as Staff Captain, Cairo Brigade.

Captain J. S. H. Douglas, 1st Battalion, The Seaforth Highlanders, as adjutant of the unit in Hong Kong in place of Captain G. P. Murray.

FLAG APPOINTMENTS

Two changes in flag appointments took effect on December 10. At Fort Blockhouse, Gosport, Vice-Admiral C. F. Talbot, C.B., D.S.O., handed down his flag at sunset on relinquishing the post of Rear-Admiral (Submarine). With effect from December 11 he has been appointed for service at the Admiralty before taking up in the New Year the office of Director of Dockyards.

His successor at Gosport is Rear-Admiral R. H. T. Raikes, C.V.O., D.S.O., whose flag was hoisted in a ship on December 10 and transferred to the shore establishment. During the recent emergency Rear-Admiral Raikes served as Rear-Admiral in Charge at Alexandria, where he was struck on August 1. He has had many years' experience in submarines.

At the Admiralty, Rear-Admiral St. Aubyn B. Wake, C.B., will be succeeded as Director of Naval Equipment by Rear-Admiral F. T. B. Tower, O.B.E., who for 24 years up to February, last, was Flag Captain in H.M.S. Hood, and Chief Staff Officer to the Rear-Admiral Commanding Battle Cruiser Squadron.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF PONIES

Pontiac Bay Sold For \$970

Pontiac Bay, described as "the cream of the sale," was purchased for \$970 by Mr. Fung Kwok Wa at a public auction of ponies held at the Paddock of the Hong Kong Jockey Club yesterday afternoon. The auctioneer was Mr. C. M. S. Alves, of Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

Among those who attended were Brigadier H. O. Seth-Smith, Dr. L. Reidy, Cdr. J. B. Newell, Lt. N. W. Metcalfe, Messrs. Li Lam San, S. Y. Liang, C. L. Gregory, T. H. G. Brayfield, A. W. Smith, Li Po Chun, Peter H. Shi, Kwok Hing Wan, Vilas, Ostanada, G. U. da Rosa, R. A. Rodgers, Bob Charles, F. D. Angus and many others.

The auction resulted as follows, names of purchasers and prices paid being given in brackets:—

Double Chance (Capt. G. Jones, \$310); China pony (Mr. Peter H. Shi, \$60); Delightful Chance (Mr. G. Baker, \$100); Pontiac Bay (Mr. Fung Kwok Wa, \$970); Ribble (Mr. Kwok Hing Wan, \$640); Gold Eagle (Capt. H. Whitehead, \$100); Zodiac (Mr. V. Ostanada, \$200); What A Chance (Capt. J. J. Palmer, \$250); Great Ha! (Mr. Morgan, \$200); China pony (Mr. V. Ostanada, \$100); Rugby Star (Lt. N. W. Metcalfe, \$110); Shamrock (Capt. Whitehead, \$170); The Cook (Mr. Peter H. Shi, \$90); and Blue Ribbon (Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, \$70).

Eastlight and Racing Heart were withdrawn from the sale.

FROM SLUMS TO BOREDOM

Woman's Criticism Of Rehousing

The unpopularity among the people who have to live in them of the flats and cottages which are being provided under slum-clearance schemes was given expression to by Miss Elizabeth Denby at a meeting of the Royal Institute of British Architects recently.

Miss Denby, a co-opted member of the L.C.C. Housing Committee, is the first woman to read a paper before a general meeting of the R.I.B.A.

Claiming that the acid test of the success of the new estates was to find out what the tenants thought of them, she said the occupiers of the cottage estates complained of isolation, loneliness and boredom, while those in the flats complained of lack of privacy and of noise, inconvenience and a "barrack" atmosphere.

"For no apparent reason," said Miss Denby, "it seems to be assumed that over one-fifth of a workman's income (ten shillings) should be spent on rent, but this is manifestly far too high a proportion if enough is to be left for coal-gas, electricity, food, clothing and other necessities of life."

DISAGREEABLE CHOICE

"In fact, the working man and his wife are at present faced with a very disagreeable choice. Are they to remain in unhealthy or overcrowded apartments for which they pay a comparatively low rent, or are they to move into purer air and greater space and stint their children of food?"

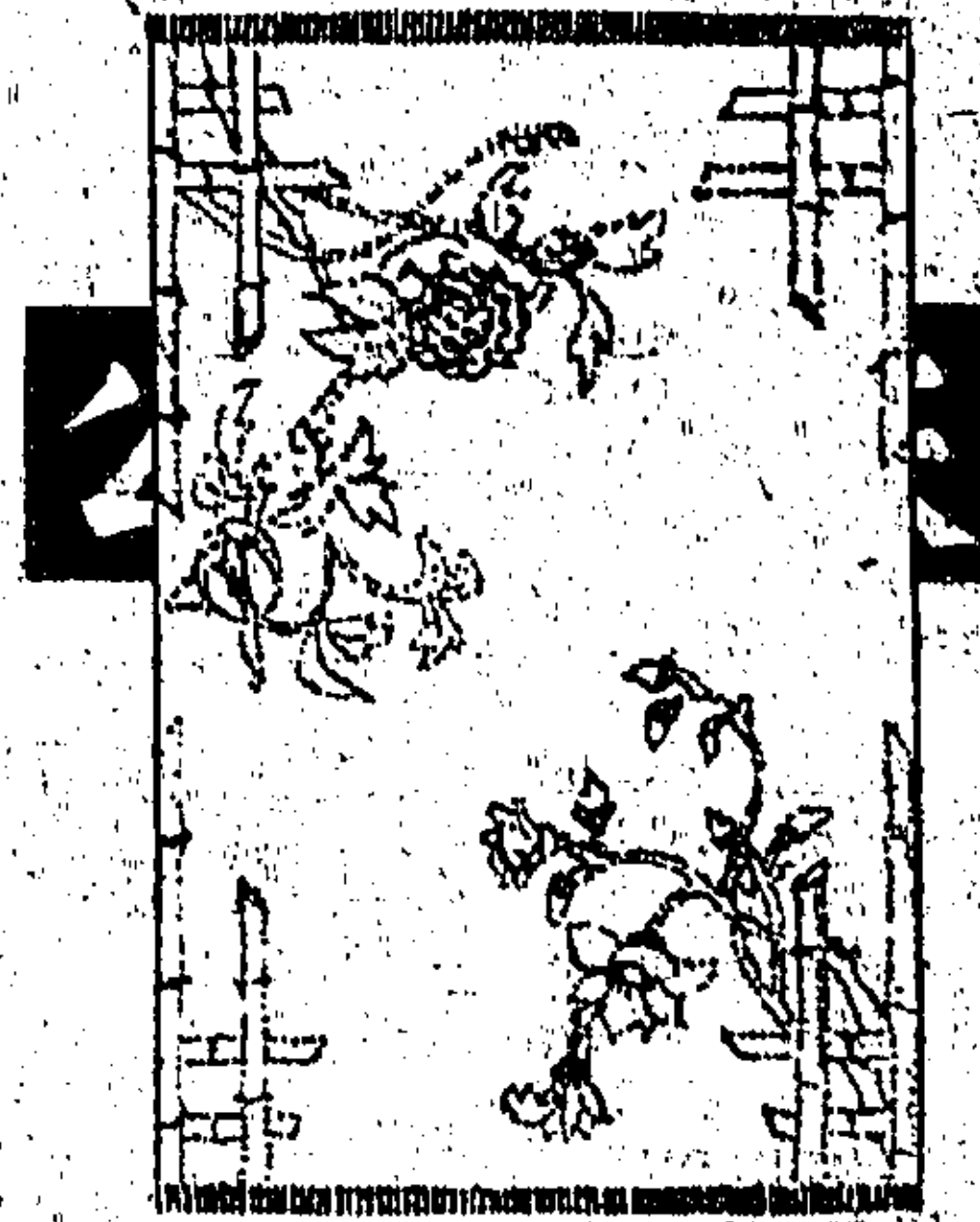
Detailing the complaints of flat-dwellers, Miss Denby said the flats were usually built on five floors, and mothers living on the top floors tended to keep their young children at home rather than face dragging them up and down the stairs. Owing to inadequate insulation sounds could be heard right through the buildings, and children had to be kept unnaturally quiet if neighbours were not to complain. The restrictions, particularly on pets and window-boxes, were deeply resented, and the absence of a garden was a real deprivation.

The cottage estates were nothing but a pitiful segregation of the lowest income level of population, without meeting places or clubs, without shopping centres, and often without elementary or technical schools for many months.

By the time fares to work had been added the rates were nearly twice what they were in the slums.

Miss Denby suggested that the best method of rehousing would be to build "financed estates" in the Regency days, with a fine garden in front and a long one behind.

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NOTICE.

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It is hereby notified that the water supply in the area immediately north of Prince Edward and Sai Kung Roads and east of Nathan Road will be disconnected for six hours from noon to 6 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant.

The locality affected will include the whole of Kowloon Tong, and Kowloon City. During this period, pressure in the Ho Mun Tin District will be reduced.

R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 22nd Dec., 1936.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY

The new Term opens on Monday, Jan. 4th. An examination for new Students will be held on Jan. 2nd at 9 a.m. For prospectus, for boarders and day-boys, apply, Fund Man Sui, Esq., Chan Pak Luk, Esq., Messrs. H. Wicking, Prince's Building (Tel. 30241), or to St. Stephen's College, Stanley.

WHAT CHILDREN THINK OF SHIRLEY TEMPLE

Film Psychology

"Shirley Temple is regarded by many adults as a monstrosity," said Dr. Emanuel Miller, a member of the Child Guidance Council, recently when addressing a conference on Films for Children organised by the British Film Institute at the Queen Mary Hall, London.

"Children," he continued, "do not like seeing child artists doing adult scenes. When Shirley Temple makes statements which could only come from the lips of a sophisticated New Yorker, there are some badly brought-up children who would like to do the same thing, but the average child would like to see the child in the picture assisting in a subordinate manner the doings of adults."

Laurel and Hardy and Charlie Chaplin, added Dr. Miller, were especially popular among children. "Hardy, with his fatness and Laurel with his little hat and his cane," he said, "approximate very closely to the average child's drawing at the age of six, and that is why the child feels at home because he feels he might have drawn them himself."

Mr. Simon Rowson, President of the British Kinematograph Society, said that according to the British Film Institute's standard, there were 72 films in a recent year suitable for children.

MARRIAGE

GRIEVE-BOULLIN—On December 22, 1936, at the Peak Church, Ronald James Douglas Clerk Grieve, elder son of the Reverend Canon Grieve and Mrs. Grieve of Largs, Ayrshire, to Frances, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Boullin of Surbiton, Surrey.

BIRTH

NELSON-JONES—On December 2, 1936, at a London nursing home, to Vera (née Riley), wife of Dr. A. Nelson-Jones, of Hong Kong, a son.

DEATH

BARLOW—B.D.G. Barlow of Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation at Dairen. Accidentally killed while out shooting on December 20, 1936.

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LAW AND THE SUBMARINE

At the Foreign Office a fortnight ago the United States, France, Italy, Japan, and the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations formally declared their acceptance of certain rules of international law, the formulation of which was first undertaken when those same Powers were assembled in the Washington Conference of 1921.

The delay in this consummation has not been due to any difference of opinion regarding the rules themselves; on the contrary, all the present signatories have been in full agreement on the subject for twenty years, and so far as is known there is no Power to-day which does not share their agreement. It has been due solely to endeavours, misguided as they now appear, to obtain assent to other proposals which were still controversial. Thus, there was no disagreement between the Allies of the late War that under international law men-of-war possess no greater rights against merchant ships in time of war than those of visit and search and, if the result of search justifies it, arrest pending decision of a Prize Court; that, if merchant vessels resist or obstruct visit or search, a man-of-war may use that degree of force necessary to overcome resistance or obstruction, but no more; and that in certain exceptional circumstances a man-of-war may destroy a merchant ship instead of sending her into port, but not unless all her occupants and her papers are first removed to a place of safety.

They have also been in full agreement that ships boats adrift in the open sea cannot be regarded as in "a place of safety" under the above rules; and that submarines are bound by the rules no less than men-of-war of any other type.

If the Washington Treaty No. 2 of 1922, which embodied these agreements, had consisted solely of a declaration that these rules were accepted as a part of international law, there can be no doubt that it would have been justified by all its signatories and would long ere now have been accepted by the rest of the world. But as it contained also certain provisions which did not then command general acceptance, it never came into force, even between its original signatories.

The question was taken up again in 1930, and Part IV of the London Naval Treaty of that year did consist of a simple definition of the law; it too, if it had stood alone, would no doubt have come into force. But it was part of a treaty which France and Italy were unable to accept as a whole and thus shared the fate of its predecessor in effect, the new "Provisional" re-enacts the substance of Part IV of the 1930 Treaty, by which the United States, Japan, and the British Empire are already bound, as a separate instrument to which France and Italy are able to accede on its merits, without committing themselves to acceptance of other provisions with which they may not be in full agreement. There is, so far as can be seen, no obstacle to its general accep-

EXCLUSIVE FEATURE
DIVERTING ASPECTS

THE BOAT PEOPLE OF CANTON

BY
PHILIP NESBITT



I find, to my increasing amazement, that China is boundless, limitless and timeless, in the most profound sense of the various humanities flourishing to-day. There is more deep interest, more excitement, more colour in this strange land than elsewhere, I believe. I found myself greatly interested in the thoughts, the activities and the appearance of those river dwellers, the 'Boat people' of Canton, on a recent visit to that teeming Chinese city. Of course I failed to grasp much of their thoughts; so my own interpretation therefore must serve.

More numbers count for little, when judging human beings. That simply happens. The boat people have stoicism, humour, hardihood, curiosity, courage and adaptability developed to a rare degree.

I saw them, families without end, plying their small, gaily decorated 'taxi sampans,' saw them urging forward with long sweeps, the heavier junks, sweating like stoic Trojans in their daily toil. I yield to them all the admiration I have, for they survive with only the greatest difficulty under a spell of living so insecure and uncertain as to annihilate any of us. They are distinctly 'water people,' with a philosophy opposed to that of the town and city dwellers. To them, the latter are but 'land-lubbers' in that same and ancient line of distinction between land and nautical folk.

It is true that when these folk are viewed from the effete Anglo-Saxon or American point of view, so well preserved within the aura of all such individuals that they, the water people, appear vastly unclean and unconcerned with cleanliness.

I wonder if they truly are 'unclean'? I, thinking of this question, attempted to observe their tendencies toward cleanliness or its absence. I saw this fact borne out clearly in all their efforts; namely, that they strove valiantly to be clean in a circumstance unsympathetic to cleanliness. The very numbers of them, and their effects, gave an unclean appearance to things, yet individually, they were scrubbing, bathing, cleaning with the ardour of nuns in a convent.

I admire these folk for their singular adaptation to a negative circumstance and their successful triumphing over it.

GREAT EARTHQUAKES

Their Origin And Effect

While Lisbon was destroyed the waters of Loch Lomond, 1,220 miles away, rose suddenly by more than two feet, and the River Dal, in faraway Sweden, over-flowed its banks.

Those were some of the strange results of the great Lisbon earthquake of 1755, the first of a series of eighteen major disasters discussed by Dr. Charles Davidson in "Great Earthquakes" (Murray, 17s. 6d.). The most recent is the Hawke's Bay earthquake of February, 1931, and all of them have been chosen not only for their destructive effects, but also for the light they throw on the nature and origin of great earthquakes. While Dr. Davidson's main object has been the scientific collection, and sifting of information, there is much in his volume which should be of interest to the general reader.

tance by all maritime Powers,

which is to be invited forthwith. The history of this matter illustrates how the practical difficulties of negotiating any international instrument increase with every addition to the number of the parties involved, even when it relates chiefly to matters upon which the parties are in full agreement; and it suggests that the British Government are well advised in seeking the extension of the intricate business of naval agreement by the method of bilateral pacts rather than that of multilateral conferences.

The Government are to be congratulated on the patience and perseverance which have last resulted in success.

NO HANDING OVER OF COLONIES

Neither Slaves Nor Cattle

Demand for Powers not possessing Colonies for a share in their control, were discussed by Lord Lugard in an address to the Royal Empire Society, recently.

While Germany claimed that she needed Colonies to obtain essential raw materials, he said, economists maintained that difficulty in acquiring such necessities was due not to lack of Colonies, but to post-war barriers to trade. Germany had said that she could not buy fats owing to lack of foreign exchange. Before the War, Germany imported practically all available supplies of fat yielding kernels from British Colonies, paying for them with trade spirits. Prohibition of the importation of trade spirits had prevented, the continuation of this method of purchase.

As a means of improving the general situation of raw materials, Lord Lugard suggested the withdrawal of quotas and preferential tariffs in British colonial Africa, and a return to the traditional policy of giving to foreigners the same facilities enjoyed by our own nationals.

GERMAN CLAIM

Economic advantages, Lord Lugard emphasised, were not the only, or even the principal reason for the claim to Colonies. Herr Hitler had called the last Nazi rally a "Rally for Honour," regarding the control of subject races as indispensable to the status and prestige of any nation which aspired to be regarded as a world Power.

Brilliant Pantomime

"JACK AND THE BEANSTALK"

Y.M.C.A. SUCCESS

The Christmas season brings with it the usual round of festivities but the season would never be quite complete without the pantomime so basically vital to infuse the cheerful spirit of the Yuletide season. Pantomime has always and will always enjoy a foremost place during Christmastide entertainments. That that assertion is beyond doubt was fully borne out by the hundreds who packed the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. last night to witness the Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club's presentation of "Jack and the Beanstalk."

The keynote of the evening's performance was the good fun, good spirit and good cheer that existed among the entire cast and reflected in a delighted audience. It was a show for everybody, especially the family. The advance notices regarding this pantomime declared that it was a truly jolly Christmas show! And they were absolutely right. It was more than that.

Surpassing pantomimes presented by the "Y" A.D.C. in the past, "Jack and the Beanstalk," their most ambitious presentation, is an outstanding success and it should not be missed.

The localised version of "Jack and the Beanstalk" was prepared from the pen of the Rev. J. D. Maclean and introduced an unbroken chain of mirth-provoking lines. The producer was W. Robertson, and both are deserving of the heartiest congratulations for an excellent job.

WEALTH OF VARIETY

The entertainment provided a wealth of variety in the telling of the familiar story. The book characters that have thrilled the kiddies were literally brought to life.

The music throughout left nothing to be desired while the same can be said of the chorus girls both in their singing and dancing.

"Flower Ballet" was a striking feature in which Miss Stella Best, as the ladder, danced with exquisite grace and charm.

Another delightful number that won warm applause was "Kitchen Capers" featuring W. Forsyth, as Cookie, and the Kitchen boys.

Z.B.W. SKIT

J. R. Luke, in the role of Z.B.W., W. Brown, as Setzer, and R. A. Bates, as Bromo, figured in a hilarious but good-humoured skit of Z.B.W. They were splendid as villains and had an excellent foil in Fairy Ariel, played by Winifred Lawson, who will be remembered by many for her fine performance in "Maid of the Mountains."

(Continued on Back Page)

EDUCATION THAT ONLY FILLS THE MIND

Sir James Jeans, the astronomer, compared British and American education when speaking recently at a luncheon of the National Institute of Industrial Psychology in London.

He complained that our system did not teach men to exercise their minds. "I have often discussed the problem with Americans," he said, "and they agree that the mind ought not to be made a storehouse for knowledge."

"There is a difference in mentality between the England and American graduate. The American system of education is better suited for practical men of the kind we term 'captains of industry.'"

All our universities, he added, stored the minds of their students with knowledge which deprived them of elasticity, so that men with science plus organising ability were scarce.

To hand over "as though they were slaves or cattle, peoples to whom we have pledged our protection," Lord Lugard argued, would be neither consistent with national honour, nor would it make for eventual peace. Placing all colonies under Mandate would be no solution, nor would it be possible for the League of Nations to administer them.

ENGLAND'S SECOND TEST VICTORY

Australia Beaten By Innings And 22 Runs

McCabe Misses Century

England secured their second victory in the Tests when they dismissed the Australian side for 324 in the second innings after getting them all out for 80 in the first. Australia lost by an innings and 22 runs.

Fingleton (73) and Bradman (82) were dismissed before lunch. McCabe and Sievers joined in a fine partnership which gave promise of averting an innings defeat. They added 92 runs between them for the sixth wicket, which was that of McCabe (93), who over-balanced himself and put his leg in front of a straight one from Voce.

In poor light and misty rain, the remaining four batsmen were dismissed for six runs, Sievers (24) being run out and O'Reilly and McCormick falling an easy prey to Hammond.

Sydney, Dec. 22.

A crowd of 5,000 attended in sultry and overcast weather when Fingleton (57) and Bradman (57) resumed Australia's innings at 145 for 1 on a wicket which appeared to be in good condition.

Badcock who was unable to play in the first innings owing to illness was able to bat to-day.

The 150 was hoisted after 173 minutes. Twelve runs later Fingleton played outside a good length ball from Sims which swerved and took his middle stump (2 for 162).

Fingleton had played a dour innings which was featured by good leg shots and straight driving. He had batted 196 minutes in scoring 73 and hit four boundaries. The second wicket added 124 runs.

BRADMAN'S LAPSE

Verity returned to the attack at 188 and at the same total Bradman mistimed his fourth ball, playing it on to his wicket just when he appeared set for a century (3 for 188). Batting more confidently than he has done recently, Bradman scored 82 with crisp shots all round the wicket, hitting six boundaries in a stay of 171 minutes.

Joined by Chipperfield, McCabe saw the 200 raised after 247 minutes and the pair were together when lunch was taken at 208 for 3, McCabe being 18 and Chipperfield 13.

After the lunch interval McCabe indulged in some straight driving, and playing a dominant game he reached his 50 in 108 minutes during which he hit five times to the boundary.

Chipperfield had scored 21 when he succumbed to a ball from Voce which shot through (4 for 220).

Badcock scored two runs and in attempting to drive Allen to the off-boundary he was given out leg before wicket (5 for 226).

FINE PARTNERSHIP

Sievers now joined McCabe and they brought the score to 250 in 301 minutes and 300 in 345 minutes, the tea interval arriving with the score at 305 for 5. Sievers, who had scored 22, played a stubborn game up to this time and was an excellent foil for McCabe.

Cloudy weather with poor light and misty rain set in after tea which handicapped the batsmen. McCabe, in attempting a hook, seemed to over-balance himself and Voce was able to claim his wicket by the l.b.w. route. McCabe scored 93, including ten boundaries. His innings, which lasted 174 minutes, was marked by clever placing all over the field and with Sievers he added 92 runs. (6 for 318).

SIEVERS RUN OUT

Sievers had scored 24 when he was unfortunate to be run out. (7 for 319). He played a fine defensive game for ninety minutes. With the addition of four runs

CONCESSION GIVEN TO ITALY

Report Alarms London

London, Dec. 21.

Considerable consternation has been caused in political circles here by a report that a concession has been granted to Italy in the harbour of Assadi del Faye, on the south coast of Hadramut, by the Sheik of this district.

It is pointed out that Great Britain concluded an agreement with the rulers of all States of Hadramut whereby they undertook not to grant concessions to any other country but England.

The Governor of Aden has despatched a representative in an aeroplane to Assadi del Faye in order to investigate this matter on the spot.

Transvaal News Service.

FULL SCORES

England—1st Innings

Barnett, b Ward	57
Fagg, c Sievers, b McCormick	11
Hammond, not out	231
Leyland, l.b.w., b McCabe	42
Ames, c Robinson, b Ward	29
G. O. Allen, l.b.w., b O'Reilly	9
Hardstaff, b McCormick	28
Verity, not out	0
Extras	21

Total (for 6 wickets) 426

Fall of the wickets: 1 (Fagg) for 27; 2 (Barnett) for 118; 3 (Leyland) for 247; 4 (Ames) for 351; 5 (Allen) for 388; 6 (Hardstaff) for 424.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
McCormick	20	1	79	2
Sievers	18.2	4	30	0
Ward	42	8	132	2
O'Reilly	41	17	88	1
Chipperfield	13	2	47	0
McCabe	9	1	31	1

Australia—1st Innings

J. H. Fingleton, c Verity, b Voce	12
L. P. O'Brien, c Sims, b Voce	0
D. G. Bradman, c Allen, b Voce	0
S. J. McCabe, c Sims, b Voce	0
A. G. Chipperfield, c Sims, b Allen	13
M. W. Sievers, c Voce, b Verity	4
W. A. Oldfield, b Verity	37
W. J. O'Reilly, not out	0
E. L. McCormick, b Allen	10
F. Ward, b Allen	0
C. Badcock, absent ill	0
Extras	3

Total 80

Fall of the wickets:—1 (O'Brien) for 1; 2 (Bradman) for 1; 3 (McCabe) for 3; 4 (Chipperfield) for 16; 5 (Fingleton) for 23; 6 (Sievers) for 30; 7 (Oldfield) for 31; 8 (McCormick) for 80; 9 (Ward) for 83.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Voce	8	1	10	4
Allen	5.7	1	19	3
Verity	3	0	17	2
Hammond	4	0	6	0
Sims	2	0	20	0
Robins	1	0	5	0

Australia—2nd Innings

J. H. Fingleton, b Sims	73
L. P. O'Brien, c Allen, b Hammond	17
D. G. Bradman, b Verity	82
S. J. McCabe, l.b.w., b Voce	93
A. G. Chipperfield, b Voce	21
C. Badcock, l.b.w., b Allen	2
M. W. Sievers, run out	24
W. A. Oldfield, c Ames, b Voce	1
W. J. O'Reilly, b Hammond	3
E. L. McCormick, l.b.w., b Hammond	0
F. Ward, not out	0
Extras	7

Total 324

Fall of the wickets:—1 (O'Brien) for 38; 2 (Fingleton) for 162; 3 (Bradman) for 186; 4 (Chipperfield) for 220; 5 (Badcock) for 228; 6 (McCabe) for 318; 7 (Sievers) for 319; 8 (Oldfield) for 323; 9 (O'Reilly) for 323; 10 (McCormick) for 324.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Voce	19	4	66	3
Allen	19	4	61	1
Hammond	15.7	3	29	3
Sims	17	0	80	1
Verity	18	7	55	1
Robins	7	0	25	0

WANG CHING WEI'S STATEMENT

CHINA'S STRUGGLE FOR UNITY

Defence Of National Independence

Genoa, December 22. Mr. Wang Ching-wei in a statement before his departure for Shanghai said that during the past few years China has been struggling in face of internal difficulties and external aggression to put her house in order and effect unity of purpose in order to prepare for the ultimate sacrifice in defence of national independence.

It was only after making the same effort throughout this period that a certain measure of progress has been achieved, and the present success in defending the Suiyuan invasion from within is a sign of this progress.

The present moment was one when they should firmly unite in an effort to attain the common purpose.

The sudden outbreak in Suiyuan was subversive to law and order and destructive to the discipline of the army. It was a threat to the progress which has been gradually attained after so much effort and threatens to throw the nation more deeply in the maelstrom of internal trouble and external menace. To advocate resistance to aggression from without by such methods is like heading one's cart northward and wishing to go southward.

CHIANG'S LEADERSHIP

Mr. Wang Ching-wei continued: "The various decisions and measures of the Central Government taken in dealing with the trouble in Suiyuan clearly indicated the immediate object whereto our efforts should be directed. "China's struggle depended much for success also on the leadership of Chiang Kai-shek. We should therefore do our utmost to ensure his safety and early restoration of his freedom."

SAILS BY POTSDAM

In the past few months Mr. Wang Ching-wei has been undergoing medical care and treatment as the result of the wound which he received last year followed by aggravation of an old ailment. He had intended to return to China within a short time. Now on account of the trouble which is exceedingly grievous to him and urged by a telegraphic appeal from the Central Government, he decided to sail for China to-day. "Upon my return to my country I shall concert efforts with my colleagues and comrades to steer

China through the present crisis," he said.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei sailed aboard the Potsdam to-day.

CHOW LU'S MISSION

Dr. Chow Lu, Chancellor of the National Sun Yat-sen University, who arrived in the Colony yesterday by the s.s. Tien Yeh, is sailing for Shanghai by the Empress of Asia this morning.

Chancellor Chow who is also a member of the G.E.C. was accompanied by two reserved members, Mr. Lo Yick-kuen and Mr. Tang Ching-yeung, his private secretary, Mr. Tse Ming-chiang, a personal doctor and some others on his way to Nanking to discuss matters regarding the rescuing of the Generalissimo from danger.

Upon his arrival, Dr. Chow delivered a written statement as follows:

For the last few years I have been strongly advocating resistance against Japan, and recently during my illness I had the great satisfaction of hearing the recovery of Paoingmiao by our Central forces. I have been, however, plunged in inexpressible sorrow by the rebellion in Sianfu, which hinders the progress of our anti-Japanese action and threatens to undermine the strength of our national resistance. Since this crisis I have been receiving repeated calls from the Central Government and entreaties from all quarters, urging me to go to Nanking, but I have not been able to find a boat until to-day. In Nanking I shall thoroughly discuss with the Central authorities the various problems in connection with our resistance against Japan and shall also co-operate with them in rescuing Marshal Chiang Kai-shek from danger.

MR. EDEN LEAVING FOR YORKSHIRE

London, Dec. 21. The Foreign Secretary is leaving London to-morrow for Yorkshire, where he will spend the Christmas and New Year. During this time, Mr. Eden will be in continuous touch with the affairs of his department.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer—the only Minister who is going abroad for the holidays—to-day left the nursing home, where he has been for a minor operation, and hopes to travel to France within the next few days.

British Wireless

CHRISTMAS AT SANDRINGHAM

London, Dec. 21. The King and Queen will leave London to-morrow for Sandringham, where they are spending their Christmas. Their Majesties, accompanied by their two daughters and Queen Mary, will travel by Royal train from King's Cross to Wolferton.

British Wireless

NEGUS SELLS HIS SILVER

London, Dec. 21. An auction of the Negus's large collection of silver plate was held here on Monday, in accordance to a previous announcement. The sale was attended by a great number of buyers and valuable solid silver table services were objects of lively bidding.

A service of 24 silver plates ornamented with gold and silver coins from various countries and 9 inches in diameter was bought for £570. The total proceeds of the auction, however, are not yet known.

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INTREPID YACHTSMAN

Mr. Buster Brown Near Manila

Manila, Dec. 22. Mr. Buster Brown, of the Shanghai branch of Sun Life Assurance Company, is expected to arrive in Manila to-morrow about 7 a.m. in his own self-built yacht, the Francesca, in which he sailed from Shanghai via Hong Kong, paying a business visit to Manila. Mr. Brown was expected at 4 o'clock this afternoon, but he was delayed according to the Bureau of Customs.

Mr. A. F. Peters, local Sun Life manager, went out to meet the intrepid yachtsman, but he turned back and will go out again early in this morning.

Reuter.

XMAS MESSAGE TO THE WORLD

Pope To Broadcast

Vatican City, Dec. 21. His Holiness the Pope is planning to broadcast a message to the world on Christmas Eve. He is expected to make an appeal for peace.

The Pope's broadcast is expected to replace the Christmas address to the Cardinals, which has been cancelled owing to his illness.

The Vatican to-day denied the alarmist reports concerning the Pope's health, which circulated over the week-end. It is stated that the Pope receives his Cardinal Secretary of State daily and actively occupies himself with state affairs.

Meanwhile, in Rome, it is officially stated that His Holiness will broadcast from his bed at 11.50 p.m. GMT. Thursday.

Reuter.

NO RECEPTION

Rome, Dec. 21. Pope Pius XI will broadcast a personal Christmas message to the entire world on the 24th December at 12.30 Central European time on wavelength 19.84 metres. Because of his weak condition the physicians have advised him to forego the customary reception of the Cardinals on December 24th as well as his usual message to them. He is permitted, however, to receive the Cardinals in individual audiences.

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ARMS EXPORTS TO BELIGERENTS

Legislation Tightened In America

Washington, Dec. 21. Administration circles are most optimistic since the decision of the United States Supreme Court, upholding the legislative ban on arms exports to belligerents, was announced.

Well-informed quarters forecast that in consequence new neutrality legislation is to be submitted to Congress in January, which will empower the President to prohibit not only the export of arms, but also shipments of essential materials, such as cotton, wheat and steel.

The same quarter predicts that materials, as on armaments, for Congress will enact a ban on raw belligerents.

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MADAME LINDER'S ARREST

Paris, Dec. 21. In connection with the arrest of the secretary in the French foreign ministry, Madame Linder, on a charge of having assisted in organizing a secret exportation of war materials to Russia and Spain, the "Petit Parisien" reports that Madame Linder was already involved in one case of theft of State documents several years ago, although she was not publicly accused. At that time she was moved from a responsible position and was given a post in the archive department.

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MRS. EINSTEIN PASSES

Princeton, N.J., Dec. 21. Mrs. Elsa Einstein, wife of the famous scientist, is dead.

Reuter.

ADDIS ABABA CONSULATES

British Decision Announced

London, Dec. 21. The British Government has notified the Italian Government that it has decided to convert the Legation at Addis Ababa into a Consulate-General.

It is pointed out that this decision is quite independent of Anglo-Italian negotiations in the Mediterranean, nor has it any bearing on the question of recognition of the conquest of Ethiopia by Italian arms.

Reuter.

FRENCH DECISION

Paris, Dec. 21. The French Charge d'Affaires in Rome has been instructed to inform the Italian Government that France has decided to transform the French Legation at Addis Ababa into a Consulate-General.

Official quarters state this step does not raise the question of recognition of the Italian empire in Ethiopia.

Reuter.

BULGARIAN RECOGNITION

Rome, Dec. 21. The Bulgarian Minister has informed Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, that the Bulgarian Government has decided to create a Consulate at Addis Ababa. Recognition of Italian sovereignty follows automatically.

Reuter.

ITALY PLEASED

Rome, Dec. 21. The British and French decisions to convert their Addis Ababa Legations into Consulates-General have been warmly welcomed as tantamount to de facto recognition of Italian sovereignty in Ethiopia.

It is considered that this move on the part of London paves the way for an Anglo-Italian gentlemen's agreement in the Mediterranean. It is also reported as a situation depriving the League of Nations of an excuse for allowing Ethiopian representatives to continue to sit in the Assembly at Geneva.

Nevertheless, it is explained, British, French and Italian relations cannot return to full normality until Britain and France grant de jure recognition to Italy in Ethiopia. As it is admitted that such recognition would necessitate a profound reversal of British and French policy, there is no tendency in Italy to press this point as yet.

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OLD SOLDIER PASSES

Major-Gen. Sir Frederick Cuthbert Poole

London, Dec. 22. The death has occurred of Major-General Sir Frederick Cuthbert Poole at the age of 67.

He entered the army in 1889, and served in the Tirah Expedition, South African War, Somaliland, and European War, being mentioned in despatches seven times. He was late G.O.C. North Russian Expeditionary Force.

Reuter.

INDIAN COLLIERY DISASTER

Calcutta, Dec. 22. The colliery at Asansol in Bengal has been sealed following the disaster caused by an underground explosion last week in which over a hundred miners were entombed. A fire broke out after the explosion and the pits will be closed till the fire is extinguished.

It is not expected that any of the miners who are buried will be possibly alive.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TRAIN DISASTER

Capetown, Dec. 21. Eight persons are dead and 35 injured, many gravely, in the derailment of a crowded train bound from Port Elizabeth to Capetown, near Oudtshoorn.

Reuter.

MEMEL PARDONS

Kyiv, Dec. 21. Eight inhabitants of Memel who were sentenced to long terms of imprisonment in a monster court martial in the spring of 1935 have been pardoned under the amnesty granted by the Lithuanian president on the occasion of the Christmas holidays.

Transocean News Service.

SOVIET RUSSIA INDIGNANT

Alleged Sinking Of Steamer

Moscow, Dec. 21. Diplomatic action by the Soviet is probable in connection with the alleged sinking of the steamer Komsomol by a Spanish Nationalist cruiser, the incident being denounced in the official press, while mass meetings are being held throughout Russia, at which reprisals are demanded by the crews of the Soviet Black Sea fleet, who have passed a resolution to the effect that "These Fascist pirates must answer for the destruction of our ship." We shall continue to sail the seas bravely without fear of pirates and warn our enemies that we will cut off the hands of anybody daring to touch Soviet ships, people or territory.

Now that public opinion has been prepared it is thought that the Soviet Government is contemplating a serious counter-move, the nature of which has not been revealed.

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CALL IN LONDON

London, Dec. 21. The Soviet Ambassador, Malsky, called at the British Foreign Office on Monday, the visit, it is stated, being in connection with the sinking of the Soviet steamer "Komsomol" by a Spanish Nationalist battleship. It is announced here that up to the present time the foreign office has not received any information on the accident and is therefore not in a position to make a statement.

Transocean News Service.

EXCHANGE OF HOSTAGES

St. Jean de Luz, Dec. 21. The Basque Minister of Justice has arrived aboard a British destroyer and proceeded to Bayonne with a view to negotiating with the insurgents for a large-scale exchange of hostages for Christmas.

It is possible that the delegates will also open tentative discussions for some kind of an armistice on the Basque front.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

PLANES BROUGHT DOWN

London, Dec. 21. A Spanish insurgent radio broadcast from Seville claims that two Government aircraft were brought down in the course of a raid over Badajoz.

A Government message from Madrid reports that loyal artillery, during a bombardment in the San Sebastian sector, set fire to the insurgent arms factory at Vega, which was totally destroyed.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

PRISON SENTENCES IN POSEN

Germany Annoyed

Berlin, Dec. 21. Great indignation was expressed here at the prison sentences up to one and a half years passed at Posen on six members of the "young German party" on their part allegedly played in an affray in Neu-Faleschen in November 1935.

The meeting of this party, states a German Newspaper, was raided by a group of Polish speaking persons and in the ensuing brawl a number of the attackers were beaten. This led to criminal proceedings being taken against the Germans concerned but no credence was placed in the witnesses for their defence during the trial and the sentence was based, it is asserted, solely on evidence given by Polish witnesses.

Transocean News Service.

£1,750,000 SLUM AREA CLEARANCE

Scheme Before L.C.C.

London's first large-scale redevelopment scheme for a slum area is planned at a cost of £1,750,000.

It covers 46 acres in the northern part of Bethnal Green and provides for the demolition of overcrowded and unsuitable houses and the development of the district on modern town-planning lines, with a rearrangement of roads and open spaces. Hackney-road, Cambridge-road, and Old Bethnal Green-road are among the streets which will be widened.

According to the proposals, which will be considered by the L.C.C. about 4,700 working-class people will be displaced. Housing will be found for them in Hackney and neighbouring boroughs where slums are being replaced by new buildings.

Mr. Lewis Silkin, Chairman of the Housing Committee, said that the railway station and certain modern buildings would not be affected. Special districts in the area would be set aside for industry, and existing factories and workshops would be moved into their proper zone.

EFFORTS TO SAVE CHIANG

Family Delegation To Revolt Centre

Government Continuing Military Measures

Nanking, December 22. As regards the Sianfu revolt members of Chiang Kai-shek's family are desperately trying to ensure the personal safety of the Generalissimo without reference to political issues. On the other hand the Government is uncompromisingly striving to crush the revolt.

Hence the activities of Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. W. H. Donald in proceeding to Sianfu simultaneously with military operations.

Reuter.

FAVOURABLE SIGN

Shanghai, Dec. 22. There is no further news in the Sianfu situation where Madame Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. T. V. Soong are believed at present to be conferring with the Generalissimo.

Reuter inquiries from a representative of Chinese bankers elicit the general view that the position is more hopeful. Madame Chiang's trip is interpreted as a favourable sign.

This reflects the feeling of the Shanghai market.

Reuter.

HOPES OF SETTLEMENT

Shanghai, Dec. 22. It is believed in well informed circles here that the Sianfu revolt will be peacefully adjusted in the next few days. Important proposals were brought back to Nanking from Sianfu by Mr. T. V. Soong, Chairman of the National Economic Council, and some of them are deemed acceptable, it is learned.

Messrs. Chao Tai-won and Hsu Yung-chang, trusted supporters of General Yen Hui-shan, Pacification Commissioner of Shensi and Suiyuan, have arrived at Loyang en route to Sianfu to persuade General Chang Hsueh-liang, the rebel leader, to release General Chiang Kai-shek.

General Huang Shao-hsiung, the new chairman of the Hupei Provincial Government, is in Talyuanfu in conference with General Yen Hui-shan to devise means for the release of General Chiang Kai-shek.

Union News.

JAPANESE CALL

Nanking, Dec. 22. Japanese Ambassador Shigeru Kawagoe, accompanied with an interpreter, called on Foreign Minister Chang Chun yesterday afternoon concerning the revolt in Shensi and the safety of General Chiang Kai-shek. The Ambassador expressed sympathy to Mr. Chang Chun on behalf of the Japanese Government.

The Ambassador arrived at 4.30 p.m. and left at 6 p.m. Apart from obtaining a first-hand information of the Sianfu revolt, Ambassador Kawagoe did not bring up any diplomatic issues.

A Central News report from Tokyo stated the Japanese Government has instructed Ambassador Kawagoe to report on the possibility of a compromise between the Central Authorities and General Chang Hsueh-liang.

Union News.

ANOTHER TRIP TO SIANFU

Madame Chiang In The Party

Nanking, Dec. 22. Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. W. H. Donald, the Generalissimo's European adviser, left for Sianfu by air this morning.

Government aeroplanes are very actively bombing the rebel forces while the infantry is keeping up a continual machine gun fire on the rebels. As a result the Government troops are stated to be rapidly advancing towards Sianfu.

Usually well-informed quarters state that Mr. Soong's previous visit to Sianfu did not produce any concrete agreement for the settlement of the issue, but as a result of it he has strong hopes that a peaceful settlement of the affair, compatible with the Government's determination not to make any concessions as regards its policy, will be ultimately achieved.

Reuter.

CIANO'S MESSAGE TO CHANG

League With Communists Condemned

Rome, Dec. 21. The Italian foreign minister, Count Ciano, sent the following telegram to General Chang Hsueh-liang: "You are my friend. If you join with the communists you will be my enemy. China cannot exist without Marshal Chiang Kai-shek."

Count Ciano was the Italian consul general in Shanghai for several years and has been well acquainted with General Chang Hsueh-liang.

In 1933, during a European tour, General Chang Hsueh-liang spent considerable time in Italy and was received often by Mussolini, and renewed his friendship with Count Ciano.

Transocean News Service.

OLD SCOTTISH HOUSES

Peers' Appeal To Government

The Scottish Peers, led by Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, did a service to their country recently by calling the attention of the Government to the disappearance of domestic architecture of historic and aesthetic interest. In basing their appeal largely on grounds of sentiment they were the more likely to stir the conscience and interest of their countrymen even if they aroused little expectation of Treasury aid. Lord Strathcona, replying for the Government, was obliged to regard the appeal from the coldly practical standpoint and point out that financial commitments for such a purpose could not be undertaken at this time. The whole problem is, however, made no more difficult by being ventilated in the Upper House, and local authorities may well be inspired to regard with greater pride and personal concern buildings which hitherto they have taken for granted and allowed to moulder in decay until they were past saving.

affected. Special districts in the area would be set aside for industry, and existing factories and workshops would be moved into their proper zone.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

Annual General Meeting

HON. MR. S. H. DODWELL ELECTED
LIFE MEMBER

The election of the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell to an honorary life membership came as a surprise to those members of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club who attended the annual meeting of the Club held in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, but which they expressed their wholehearted and unanimous approval.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

After the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting, the outgoing Captain, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, addressed the members as follows:—

The report and accounts having been in your hands for the prescribed time I will, with your permission, take them as read. Before dealing with them it is customary at this meeting to mention the names of members who have been lost by death during the year, the list of which I deeply regret to say is all too long; Mr. C. E. Anton, Mr. P. E. Barker, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Col. Dumbelton, Mr. E. O. Drake, Mr. C. E. L. Grist, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson, Mr. E. S. Jones, Mr. A. Keith, Major F. G. le Gros, Dr. A. J. Lowson, Mr. R. J. Paterson and Mr. W. Sanderson.

Considering all things the year under review must be considered a very satisfactory one. Our liquid assets are much the same as they were a year ago in spite of the rather heavy extra expenditure on Fanning Clubhouse alterations. Our working profit was \$18,034.23 against \$16,955.67 in 1935, which has enabled us, in addition to making the customary provision for depreciation, to entirely write off the cost of the new bar in the Mens' Fanning Clubhouse.

"SITTING DOWN"

There has in the past been such a rooted objection amongst members to building on to our present Mens' Clubhouse in any shape or form, that I certainly did not expect the suggestion I made at last year's meeting build on a new bar, would be taken as it were "sitting down." It is apparent now that I entirely omitted to take into consideration the fact that there are still a few things the Hong Kong community like to take sitting down, and one of them is gin (laughter). Consequently, at the comparatively small cost of \$5,400 the old Clubhouse has been adapted to permit us to indulge much more comfortably in this old time honoured custom (hear, hear).

The alterations to the Ladies' Clubhouse, passed at last year's annual meeting, have been carried out, and I believe have met with universal approval. A great deal of the supervision of this work, in the absence of the Secretary, fell upon Major Walker, and without in any way wishing to detract from the work of our architects, I venture to think that the time and trouble he gave to the job is largely responsible for its turning out so successfully.

Besides a much more presentable and comfortable dining room, the ladies now have a spacious and airy dressing room, or perhaps I should have said that they had a spacious and airy dressing room, for I understand they have insisted upon its being partitioned off into little cubicles for dressing purposes. The longer man lives the less he seems to understand the fair sex, and we certainly cannot blame Major Walker for not having foreseen a requirement which even I family man as I am, find very difficult indeed to reconcile with the fact that, as the years go by, shorts get shorter and shorter, and we see so much more of the ladies on the courses than we used to (laughter).

TIFFIN PRICES

Turning again to the accounts, comparison with last year's rendered difficult owing to the very large difference in the rate of exchange between the two years. What this variation means is perhaps best exemplified if we turn into sterling the charge of \$1.50 for a hot tiffin, which charge has been in force for many years. In April 1935 we were paying \$1.50 for this tiffin, while to-day Mrs. Hitchins giving us what I think must be generally considered a very good tiffin, for about 1/10d. The lower exchange has so increased the price of provisions that it is questionable whether there may not have to be some small increase in the price for meals, and this matter is one which will come up for the early consideration of the incoming committee.

You will notice that the report shows playing members present in the Colony at 30th September, as 534, to-day the number is increased to 560. The number of sub-

scribers shown on the report is Navy 50, Army 56, a total of 106. To-day the number is more than double, approximately 225, accounted for, of course, by the large number of H. M. ships which have returned to the Colony. It is rather remarkable that in spite of the few ships on the station last winter, subscriptions are only down by 344. Entrance fees as you know are credited to the Fanning rebuilding fund which benefited from this year to the extent of \$8,750 (nett). In this connection it may interest you to know that under the rule permitting refund of half entrance fees to members transferred within a year, we made refunds of \$75 each to four members between July and September 1935 and to eleven between October 1935 and September 1936.

Working account receipts are down by \$2,455 but the expenditure is also down by \$3,322 largely due to the up-keep of the Fanning courses costing us some \$3,155 less than in 1935. The comparison is perhaps a little unfair because very heavy expense was incurred in 1935 in levelling the entire fairway of the No. 3 Hole on the New Course. Nevertheless I am sure that all members will agree with me that the manner in which the many improvements decided upon by the Committee has been carried out does a great credit to Mr. Hitchins, who thoroughly deserves the congratulations I am sure he has already received from many of us on the result of his work on the Courses (hear, hear). Before the dry weather set in, I have never seen the Fanning courses in better condition and even now, after more than two months drought, there is more grass on the fairways, especially on the New Course, than we have ever had before.

SURVEY OF OLD COURSE

During the year a survey of the Old Course was made by Professor Redmond, who put in a lot of hard work in the hot weather for which he deserves our very best thanks (applause). This survey is now available should it later be decided to consult a golf architect at Home with a view to improving some of our more characterless greens and their bunkering. The outgoing Committee had this in mind, but investigations made by the Secretary while he was at Home disclosed the fact that expert advice is a much more expensive matter than anticipated, so they decided to pass on the idea for consideration by the incoming Committee.

I am pleased to say that under the heading of what we call our Trading Account, receipts were up \$8,250. Meals everywhere produced more revenue as also did the sale of liquor in all the Club Houses. The sale of clubs more than doubled and golf balls produced \$3,000 more than last year, but how much of this is due to the difference in the dollar value between the two years is difficult to assess. The welcome increase in our trading receipts and the fact that our Bad Debts only amounted to \$25.43 are probably more reliable signs of economic recovery than any other in the Colony.

During the latter part of the year special arrangements have been made with the Hong Kong Travel Association whereby tourists can use the Club's courses during mid-week. I would like it as widely known as possible that they can obtain from the Travel Association's office, coupons with which to pay their accounts, for it is rather surprising that up to the present this facility has only been utilized twice, despite the fact that it was supposed to be a very long felt want.

INTERPORT MATCHES

Interport Matches have by mutual consent been dropped for the time being, because it has been almost impossible in the depression, to get together representative teams. It is to be hoped that at no far distant date these enjoyable fixtures may be resumed. I would like to take this opportunity of saying a few words about the Caddle system at Fanning. The Committee trust that members, whether they are satisfied or dissatisfied with their Caddies

Craigengower Cricket Club

ANNUAL MATCH

The Annual Married Versus Singles Cricket Match will take place at the Club on Saturday, Dec. 26th, commencing at 11.00 a.m. A Tea Dance will follow the match, commencing at 8.00 p.m. Music will be provided by the Selma Orchestra. The Fortnightly Club Whist Drive will not take place on that date.

will express the measure of their satisfaction or dissatisfaction on the special forms provided for the purpose with the Caddle Master. These forms, if filled in to the caddies advantage, are virtually cumbasaws for every month prizes are awarded on the strength of them to about 20 caddies. A complete record of all the caddies' reports is kept and carefully studied and it is rather curious how consistently unfortunate certain members seem to be even with caddies having many first class cills from other members (laughter). Actually everyone from the Captain down to the most recently joined member secures the next caddle for duty; there is no earmarking of any kind whatsoever, and if I might venture to give a little, fatherly advice based on my own experience in the matter of handling the Fanning caddie, it would be this—a pound of encouragement is worth more than a ton of abuse if you want to get the best out of him. I mention this matter because there are a large number of member who never fill in these caddle cills either way. It may be that they do not realise that by doing so they would be helping the executive very materially in a department of the Club's management which requires extremely careful handling.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

Daylight saving has again come to the fore and curiously enough in quite a number of quarters. I am being accused quite unjustly of having incited His Excellency to start up this hare again. Why, I cannot conceive, for in my Poo Rah-like capacity in the Colony I am placed in a very awkward position indeed vis-a-vis daylight saving. As a Dairy farmer I am afraid it may inconvenience the cows; as a purveyor of Electric current I don't like the idea at all; as a Ship builder and Wharfinger I am afraid it would necessitate my Chinese labourers getting up and starting work in the dark; as a citizen of this small colony I hesitate to advocate anything that might inconvenience our great neighbour China, but thank Heaven, Gentlemen, as Captain of this Club I can say without much fear of contradiction that half an hour more daylight in the winter months would be a godsend to the Golfer (applause). It would enable us to get down to Happy Valley and Deep Water Bay of an evening much more often than we can now, while at Fanning the late starters could finish their afternoon rounds in daylight and catch the second train home.

On behalf of the Club I thank the members of the General Committee, the Secretary, Acting Secretary, the various sub-committees and their conveners, upon whom, during the Secretary's home leave, a great deal of extra work fell. They have all co-operated to make easy for the Captain a post which otherwise would be quite an arduous one. Our special thanks are due to Mr. W. A. Butterfield, who for many years has devoted a lot of his time to the Deep Water Bay course and buildings. His careful supervision of repairs and alterations combined with his experience has saved the Club much money and ensured good work (applause).

COURSE "PIMPLES" GONE

Finally Gentlemen, whatever else may have been accomplished during my term of office there is one thing in which the outgoing Committee and I take special pride. The pimples which for so long disfigured the fair face of the Old Course, have gone for ever. I can recall nothing more trying than the unequal punishment so often meted out by those pimples. Whenever I used to top my tee shot and my opponent followed suit, his ball would invariably be found sitting up sweetly on the upward slope of a pimple and mine buried at the bottom of the downward slope of another. The concealed smile of satisfaction which accompanied the opponent's words of sympathy called for a going temperance far too perfect for this trying climate, and therefore feel that, in removing the pimples, we have not only removed much that was offensive to

Last Race Meeting



Mrs. Morse chatting with a friend while Mr. Morse, at right, is interested in something other than the camera.

the eye, but also the cause of much that was offensive to the ear (laughter).

CAPTAIN'S CHAIR

To commemorate their disappearance I ask the Club to accept from me a chair for the new bar to be called the Captain's Chair. This chair will not differ very much from any of the others, but it has been engraved with the Club crest and earmarked for the Captain. I present it on condition that it be not always placed at the same table, and that whenever the Captain is out at Fanning and any other member or subscriber sits in his chair by mistake, the penalty will be one round of drinks to all at that particular table in memory of the departed pimples (laughter). The danger of inadvertently sitting in this chair should tend to keep before members and subscribers for all time, one of the main achievements of the 1935 Committee, which we modestly

claim has both beautified and purified the old Course.

CRITICISM AS STIMULANT

The Captain then proposed the adoption of the report and accounts for the year ending Sept. 30, and which was seconded by Mr. Young in the course of which he said:—

I have studied the accounts which are in your hands very carefully, because my view is that good healthy criticism at a general meeting can only act as a stimulant to those responsible for conducting the financial affairs of a club. Unfortunately, even as the Captain has had the pimples removed from the courses, it appears to me that our finance committee, and Secretary, and Auditors have removed all the pimples from the accounts, and I can find nothing to criticize.

I hope I am voicing the feeling of everyone present, therefore, when I say that under present day

ARMY HOCKEY SIDE

The triangular hockey tournament match between the Army and the Navy will be held this afternoon on the Marina ground at 4 p.m. when the following will represent the Army team:—

Howlett (R.E.); Krishin Singh (H.K.S.R.A.), Boxcock (East Lancashire); Brown (R.E.), Stapleton (Kumaons), Para Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); Robinson (East Lancs); Kuddatux (H.K.S.R.A.); Marain Singh (Kumaons), Fataub Singh (Kumaons) and Corrier (R.E.)

conditions in Hong Kong there are quite a number of items disclosed in the accounts which call for nothing but praise. Mr. Dodwell in his remarks has drawn your attention to the most welcome improved facilities which have been provided in both the clubhouses at Fanning, and I think we are particularly fortunate that not only was the greatly improved bar accommodation paid for out of revenue, but it was put through without inconvenience to the regular attenders at Fanning.

It is also satisfactory to note that the Building Fund has now reached \$38,000 and is still mounting as a result of new members, because I am sure we all look forward to the day when the Club can have a modern Clubhouse in keeping with our excellent courses, and our large membership.

The Captain has also commented on the fact that the improvements, with which we are all familiar, have been made to the Fanning Courses during a year which has showed an increased profit on working, and it strikes me as highly creditable that these results have been obtained while Wages, Maintenance and Upkeep costs have actually been reduced.

FRIENDLY FOOTBALL ENCOUNTER

Local Indian Team Against The Kumaons

The following will represent a team drawn out from local Indian footballers in a friendly football match against the Kumaon Regiment at Chatham Road on Friday, play commencing at 4 p.m.

S. Bux (St. Joseph's), A. J. Hussain (St. Joseph's), O. el Arcull (St. Joseph's), A. Bakar (St. Joseph's), O. M. Omar (St. Joseph's), S. Hamet (Eastern), M. H. Hassan (St. Joseph's), M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.), A. M. Omar, Capt. (St. Joseph's), R. M. Asim (Radio) and A. A. Rumfah (St. Joseph's).

There is no denying the fact that quite apart from the Captain's campaign of purity and beauty the Old and the New Courses at Fanning are improved out of all recognition, and I trust you will not consider it out of place on my part adding a further word of praise and of thanks to Mr. Hitchins on this account. We are very lucky in our professional and the only regret we can have about him, is that we did not have him sooner.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following elections were approved by the meeting:—
Hon. Life Member: Hon. S. H. Dodwell.

New Committee: Messrs. Davidson, Mackenzie, Morrison, Redmond, Robertson, Walker, Lissaman, Robb and Young.

Auditors: Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming.
In concluding the meeting, the Chairman called for a vote of thanks to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company for the loan of their Boardroom for the meeting.

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The third (peace seeking) group comprised, he said, the 500,000,000 souls who lived in the Empire or under the protection of the British flag.

"The achievements of our fathers in building the Empire and of their sons in administering it should fill all British people with pride and gratitude. Never before has any such system of free nations, dwelling together in friendship and good will, existed, and never before has one nation at the centre of many sister and partner nations been given such power to influence the course of civilisation.

THE ALTERNATIVES

"Our Empire may well be the harbinger of a saner world order, and it is for this generation in Great Britain and Overseas to decide whether the wonderful pieces of machinery within our grasp shall be assembled, made up and riveted into an engine of progress, prosperity and safety, or whether they are to rust and become scattered or lost for lack of a lead."

Sir Henry's criticism was that the Empire was ill-knit and lacking in machinery for defence or consultation—a condition of drift principally due to faulty leadership at the heart of the Empire since the days when Mr. Joseph Chamberlain ceased to be a force in British statecraft.

"We urge you," he concluded, "to grasp this opportunity and make this cause of Empire your own."

CAPLAN NO MATCH FOR WALSH

Light-Weight Champion At
His Best

Jimmy Walsh, lightweight champion of Great Britain, made short work of Benny Caplan, St. George's, recently, at the National Sporting Club's Monday evening show at the Empress Stadium. The referee stopped the fight in the third round.

From the first bell the champion was tremendously aggressive, forcing Caplan to bring all his cleverness into play to avoid punishment. Over two rounds Caplan displayed an elusiveness and coolness which kept him well out of danger.

Using the ring and ropes to full advantage he occasionally scored with a left to the head.

Early in the third round Walsh followed his opponent to the ropes and landed a perfectly-timed right to the jaw. Caplan went down and took a count of eight before struggling to his feet and striving to clinch. The champion was having none of it, and Caplan went down again.

Twice dizzily, but gamely, Caplan got to his feet and twice the right to the jaw brought him crashing down. The referee, Mr. C. A. Douglas, who had entered the ring, took one glance at Caplan as he stood swaying against the ropes and then stopped the fight.

Last Saturday's Races.



Mrs. Ho Leung and Mrs. Pat Taggart discussing horses while Sir Atholl MacGregor smiles at the camera.

WINTER-BORN CHILDREN WEAKEST

Handicap Reflected In Death Rate

A child born in summer has more chance of living than one born in winter.

According to figures published by the Registrar-General, in his official commentary on the vital statistics of 1934, there is a considerable disadvantage in survival at the end of the second year for children born in winter compared with those born in other seasons.

Although each group of children has by the end of two years from birth been twice exposed to a complete round of the seasons, out of each 1,000 children born in four winters an average of 89 died within two years. Out of each 1,000 born in summer only 75 died. For spring-born children the proportion was 77, and for autumn-born 82.

During the first year of life the handicap of the winter-born infant, in comparison with the summer-born, was equivalent to a 14 per cent. excess in mortality, and during the second year of life to a 42 per cent. excess.

WORLD RATES

The Registrar-General, making a comparison between the death rates in 1930-32 in England and Wales with those in eleven other countries, finds that the lowest infant mortality was in Norway, and next in order came Holland, Sweden, England and Wales, South Africa, Finland, Canada, Scotland, Italy and Portugal.

The Norwegian death rates of children between the ages one to four were less than half those in England and Wales, and the Swedish rates were a little more than half. At the ages five to 34 Holland had the lowest rates, followed by England and Wales, Canada, and South Africa for males, South Africa being second in order for females.

The report estimates the population of England and Wales in the middle of 1934 at 40,467,000 people, of whom 19,412,000 were males and 21,055,000 females.

The total is 117,000, or 0.29 per cent., greater than the estimate for the previous year and 515,000, or 1.3 per cent., greater than the estimate for the previous year and 515,000, or 1.3 per cent., greater than the population at the census in 1931.

Benny Lynch (Glasgow), holder of the world, European, and British flyweight championships, beat Phil Milligan (Oldham) in a twelve-rounds contest at Belle Vue, Manchester, the referee stopping the fight in the seventh round. Milligan sustained severe cuts to nose and mouth.

Happy Valley



Mrs. Pat Taggart and Wing-Comdr. A. G. Bishop walking in front of the Grandstand during last Saturday's race meeting.



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Hong Kong Stock Exchange Sharebrokers' Association

TUESDAY, DEC. 22.				TUESDAY, DEC. 22.			
Buyers	Sellers	Share	Number	Buyers	Sellers	Share	Number
Banks							
\$1,820	...	2108	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	31,810
...	...	2108	Chartered Bank	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Mercantile Bank	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	N. O. & S. Bank	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Insurance	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Union Insurance	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Underwriters	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	China Fire	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	International Assoc. S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shipping	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Douglas	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shamshoo	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (del.)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shells	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Waterworks	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Mining	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Belatons	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Gold River	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Gold Creek	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Salacots	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Kailash	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Langkai (single)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Explorations	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shanghai Loans S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Venezuela Gold Flds.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (old)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Provident (old)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	S. China Motors	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shanghai Docks S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	New Engineering S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Hongkong S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Land, Hotels, and Buildings	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. 12 Debutures	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shanghai Lands S.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Metropolitan Lands	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	China Do.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. Debutures	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Hampshire	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Swire	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	S. China Cottons	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Zong Sing	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Wing On Textiles	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Public Utilities	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Tramways	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Peak Trams	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Star Ferry	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Yanma Ferry	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	China Lights	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Macao do	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Saudkan Lights	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Telephones	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	China Buses	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Traction	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (prof.)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Industrials	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Malabon Sugar	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Caldbeck	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Maogregon (pref.)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Canton Ice	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Cements	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Ropes	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Amusements	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Ch. E. Investments	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Constructions	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Do. (new)	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Lane Crawford	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Mackintosh	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Sinapore	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Waters	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Wm. Powell	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	M. Greyhounds	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	S. O. Enterprises	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Ch. G. 1925-6-4 Bks.	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Wallace Harper	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Shai Do	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	Vibro Piling	...	...	...	2108
...	...	2108	*Sales to Shanghai	...	...	...	2108

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Philippine Gold Mining Quotations

		31st Dec.											
		Time Received											
		Closing	8.50	8.50	8.55	9.15	9.25	9.40	9.55	10.10	1.35	1.55	2.10
		Bates	8.50	8.50	8.55	9.15	9.25	9.40	9.55	10.10	1.35	1.55	2.10
Antamoks	...	3.85	1.50	1.80	1.70	1.75	1.80	1.85	...	...	...	...	...
Atoks	...	40	40	42	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baguio Gold	...	28	33	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banguet Consol	...	14.00	13.75	14.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banguet Explor	...	15	15	16	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Big Wedge	...	30	30	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Demonstrations	...	70	70	73	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Itogons	...	1.50	1.55	1.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
I. X. L.	...	1.60	1.60	1.70	1.65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mabates	...	37	38	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Northern Mining	...	15	13	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paracale Gums	...	50	48	51	48	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
San Mauricio	...	2.50	2.50	2.60	2.55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Suyco Consol	...	38	38	39	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
United Paracales	...	1.30	1.30	1.35	1.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS OFFICIAL

The local market is distinctly firmer after the satisfactory negotiation of the December Settlement. H. K. Banks, Union Insurance, Public Utilities and Dairy Farms have provided the principal feature with some notable improvements and closed with an unsatisfied demand. Owing to the scarcity of shares offering very little business was reported.

A more cheerful tone has pervaded the Gold Mining section and in almost all instances prices are higher.

BUYERS

Hong Kong Banks, 11820.
Canton Insurance, \$500.
Union Insurance, \$815.
H.K. Docks, \$134.
Rauks, \$13.10.
Venz. Goldfields, \$8.
H. K. Hotels, \$5.45.
H. K. Lands, \$33.
H. K. Trams, \$124.
Star Ferry, \$93.
China Lights (old), \$12.60 ex.
Div.
H. K. Electric, \$54.
Telephones (old), \$284.
Cements, \$104.
Dairy Farms, \$214.
Shanghai Cottons (old), \$385.
Shanghai Cottons (new), \$380.
Entertainments, \$3.
Govt. 4% Loan, 8% Prem.
Govt. 3% Loan, 3% Prem.

SELLERS

H. K. Wharves, \$1054.
H. K. Hotels, \$5.55.
H. K. Electric, \$54.
Telephones (old), \$284.
Telephones (new), \$9.95.
Govt. 3% Loan 3% Prem.
Big Wedge, 50/54 cts.
Demonstrations, \$1204.
Paracale Gums, 83 cts.
San Mauricio, \$4.20.
Mambulao, 491 cts.
E. Mindanao, 56 cts.
Gumaus Gold, 47 cts.

EXTRA MANILA CLOSING QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong, Dec. 21.
Extra Manila closing quotations kindly supplied by Messrs. Ellis & Edgar.

		a.m.		p.m.	
		27	28	27	28
Gumaus Gold	...	27	28	27	28
Consol Mines	...	03	03	03	03
East Mindanao	...	34	38	34	38
Equitable	...	18	18	18	18
Gold Creek	...	23	24	23	24
Ipo Gold	...	25	26	25	26
Mineral Resources	...	38	39	38	39
Mother Lode	...	13	13	13	13
Paracale Gold	...	26	28	26	28
Salacot	...	05	05	05	05
Sia Rosa	...	05	05	05	05
Universal Expl.	...	24	25	24	25
Mayman	...	100.00	111.00	100.00	111.00
Mambulao	...	26	28	26	28
Cocogrove	...	71	72	71	72
North Mindanao	...	15	15	15	15
Syndicate Invest.	...	114	114	114	114
Development Inc.	...	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Tinago	...	23	24	23	24

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LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(British Wireless Service)

		December 19.	December 21.
Paris	...	105-11/64	105-1/64
Geneva	...	21.35	...
Berlin	...	12.20	12.20
Athens	...	...	...
Milan	...	93	93
Shanghai	...	1/2-7/16	1/2-5/32
New York	...	4.91	4.90
Amsterdam	...	8.98	8.98
Vienna	...	...	...
Brussels	...	...	...
Montevideo	...	...	...
Belgrade	...	...	...
Montreal	...	4.90	4.90
Yokohama	...	1/2	...
Helsingfors	...	...	...
Rio	...	...	...
Buenos Aires	...	...	...
Silver (Spot)	...	21	...
Silver (forward)	...	21-5/16	...
War Loan	...	...	...

Closing Quotations

		December 22, 1936.
On LONDON:	...	...
On SHANGHAI:	...	...
On SINGAPORE:	...	...
On JAPAN:	...	...
On INDIA:	...	...

LORD NUFFIELD'S GENEROSITY

Another gift for the promotion of well being was made by Lord Nuffield, who recently endowed medical research at Oxford with the sum of £1,750,000 and later increased it to £2,000,000, is announced to-night. The sum involved is again £2,000,000. Lord Nuffield's gift is to be devoted to the benefit of the areas suffering specially severely from changes in industrial employment in the last decade and he associates it with the inauguration of the new reign. A statement issued by Lord Nuffield says he has decided to place at the disposal of trustees the sum of £2,000,000 for the benefit of those special areas. Trustees will have full discretion to use the capital of the trust for initiation or support of measures likely to give employment to those living in special areas, as well as of measures designed for social betterment of those areas.

Lord Nuffield states that he appreciates what the Government has done and is doing all that is possible within its legitimate sphere, but he feels there is still room for a trust the activities of which would not be limited by considerations which apply in the allocation of public money authorized by parliament.

The three trustees appointed are Mr. Nigel L. Campbell, Lord Forster and Mr. B. Seehorn Rowntree.

FOREIGN CAPITAL IN AMERICA

Washington, Dec. 21.

A far-reaching programme to prevent the importation of foreign capital from disturbing the United States' domestic economy, has been adopted by the United States Treasury Department. It is officially announced that gold purchases will be sterilized in an inactive account so that they cannot be used as a basis for credit inflation in the United States. Gold imports and acquisitions of domestic gold will be financed through the sale of Treasury bills, thus preventing the influx of gold from increasing the excess of bank reserves, which at present have reached the total of \$2,650,000,000 in consequence of the steady influx of foreign capital in recent months.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury, has announced that the programme will be instituted within the next few days. The Treasury's programme aims at offsetting the disturbing effects both of the inflow and outflow of capital. When gold enters the country, the Treasury, through a sale of bills, will remove from the money market in amount equal to that coming in. When gold leaves the country, the bills will be retired, thus returning the funds to the money market.

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U.S. BIG BUSINESS
TOES THE LINEThe "Collectivist
State" Prophesied

New York
Bowling to the New Deal man-
date with as much grace as pos-
sible business is doing its utmost
to erase the scars of the campaign.
There has been an epidemic of
wage increases in line with the
New Deal philosophy of a more
abundant life for American work-
ers.

Business leaders have been ex-
pressing their complete readiness
to co-operate with New Deal pro-
grammes for social security and
spreading employment.

So whole-hearted appears the
co-operation that it is hardly kind
to refer to it as acceptance of the
inevitable and to point out that
in a number of instances wage in-
creases were obviously designed to
hamper militant unionism as
much as to spread more of the
fruits of industry among the work-
ers.

Mr. Winthrop Aldrich, Chairman
of the Board of the Chase Nation-
al Bank and President of the New
York State Chamber of Commerce,
told that body recently that it

REICHSMARK RATES

Berlin, Dec. 21.

Reichsmark quotations without

guarantee:-

New York ... 40.25

Paris ... 863.-

Amsterdam ... 73.45 to 73.50

London ... 12.20 to 12.21

Paris Sterling 105.13 to 105.16

U.S.A. Dollar 21.41 to 21.42

Transocean News Service.

should expect further business re-

gulation on behalf of social better-

ment, but should not be alarmed at

the prospect.

"We should on the contrary

stand ready to do everything in

our power to further those mea-

sures, which are wisely calculated

to achieve their objectives."

At the same meeting President

James R. Angell, of Yale Univer-

sity, told business leaders, "We

must resign ourselves to a far

more complete socialisation of our

resources and methods than heretofore,

and a larger surrender of that

individual privilege which we

have been accustomed to regard as

the intrinsic right of our citizens."

He feels that the movement to-

ward socialisation should "spread

until in effect, whatever the name

we shall have something definitely

beginning to resemble the collec-

THE EXCHANGE
MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Silver prices 1/16 yesterday for
both deliveries, the quotations be-
ing 21 5/16 for Ready and 21 1/4
for Forward. Silver's advance re-
ported China as having sold and
India bought. A small business
was done. The market was steady
but quiet. American Silver was
quoted at 45 1/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-
rate was quoted at 4.90 7/8. New
York-London was higher at 4.91
3/32.

MARKET

Steady but very dull.

STERLING

No business was reported. There
were sellers at 1/2 15/16 Decem-
ber-April, buyers at 1/2 31/32 for
any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

A small business was done at 30
9/16 for March delivery. The
market closed at 1 p.m. with sel-
lers at 30 9/16 December-March,
buyers at 30 5/8 for any delivery.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 103 3/8, buyers at 103
1/2 for cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at
1/2 7/16, buyers at 1/2 15/32 for
cash. U.S. Dollars, sellers at 29
1/2, buyers at 29 9/16 for cash.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market was dull in the
afternoon.

IN STERLING

No business was reported, finish-
ing with sellers at 1/2 15/16 De-
cember-April, buyers at 1/2 31/32
for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at
30 9/16 December-March, buyers
at 30 5/8 for any delivery.

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ASSOCIATION

BUYERS

Wharves, \$104
Providents (Old), \$1.40
Lands, \$33
Trams, \$12.30
Lights (Old) KD, \$12.70
Lights (New), \$10.
Electric, \$54.
Cements, \$10.40
Dairy Farms, \$202
Atoks, 70 cts
Benz, Expl. KD, 23 cts
Biz Wedge, 52 cts
Demonstrations KD, \$1.15.

SELLERS

Wharves \$108.

SINGAPORE RAW
RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

Hong Kong Dec. 22.
Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., re-
ceived the following quotations
from Singapore in Straits Cur-
rency for Raw Rubber:
Spot ... 34 1/2 Down 1
Jan-Mar ... 34 1/2 Down 1
April-June ... 34 1/2 Down 1
July-Sept. ... 34 1/2 Down 1
Market:-Dull.

HALF MILLION
DOLLARS

For Suiyuan Defense

The Ministry of Finance remit-
ted another \$500,000 to Gen. Yen
Hsi-shan, Pacification Commis-
sioner for Shanai and Suiyuan, as
emergency expenses for the large-
scale anti-bandit operations in
Suiyuan.

The remittance made to-day
upon instructions of the Executive
Yuan, brings the total of such
emergency military expenditures
from the national treasury to
\$1,000,000 including \$500,000 sent to
Gen. Yen earlier in the Suiyuan
crisis last month. Beginning from
November, the National Govern-
ment increased its monthly sub-
sidy to Shanai and Suiyuan by
\$100,000.

Furthermore, a petition from
the Shanai provincial government
for the authorization to issue a
\$10,000,000 provincial loan is being
considered by the finance commit-
tee of the Legislative Yuan and its
early approval is considered likely.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York, December 22.

	High	Low	Last	Today's	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	12.34	12.17	12.31	12.15	02 off
New York Cotton-Mar.	30.42	30.33	30.41	30.33	08 off
Chicago Wheat-May	133 1/2	131 1/2	132 1/2	131 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn-May	106 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	1 up
Silver-Official	—	—	—	—	—

	High	Low	Dec. 19	Dec. 21	Close	Change
Dow Jones Average	128.39	127.11	127.81	127.81	127.81	1.76 off
30 Industrials	80.48	80.09	80.70	80.08	81.83	1.74 off
20 RAIL	38.16	38.03	38.44	38.68	38.80	0.12 off
30 UTILITIES	106.01	105.93	105.35	105.15	105.15	0.20 off
11 COMMODITY INDEX	77.95	78.39	78.39	78.10	78.10	0.29 off

Business Done:-1,780,000 shares.

Stocks	Dec. 19	Dec. 21	Stocks	Dec. 19	Dec. 21
Adams Express	144 1/2	144 1/2	Great Northern Ry.	39 1/2	38 1/2
Allis Chalmers	71 1/2	71 1/2	Great Western Sugar	39 1/2	38 1/2
Amer. Can.	111 1/2	112 1/2	Holly Sugar Corp.	74 1/2	73 1/2
Amer. Car & Foundry	33 1/2	33 1/2	Humble Oil	63 1/2	62 1/2
Amer. Cyanamid	74 1/2	74 1/2	Int. Nickel	12 1/2	12 1/2
Amer. & For. Power	57 1/2	54 1/2	Int. Tel. & Tel.	32 1/2	33 1/2
Amer. & For. Tr.	44 1/2	43 1/2	Int. Dept. Stores	58 1/2	59 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	49 1/2	49 1/2	Kennecott Copper	18 1/2	18 1/2
Amer. Metals	24 1/2	24 1/2	Lambert Corp.	63 1/2	62 1/2
Amer. Radiator	33 1/2	33 1/2	Loew's Inc.	22 1/2	22 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	90 1/2	91 1/2	Lorillard	45 1/2	45 1/2
Amer. Smelting	56 1/2	54 1/2	McIntyre Porcupine	68 1/2	68 1/2
Amer. Steel F'dries	53 1/2	53 1/2	McKesson & Robbins	68 1/2	68 1/2
Amer. Sugar	184 1/2	180 1/2	Montgomery Ward	104 1/2	102 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	96 1/2	96 1/2	Murray Corp.	29 1/2	29 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	25 1/2	24 1/2	Nat. Cash Register	23 1/2	23 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	51 1/2	51 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	28 1/2	28 1/2
Anaconda Copper	69 1/2	67 1/2	Nat. Distillers	11 1/2	11 1/2
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	29 1/2	29 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	41 1/2	40 1/2
Atlantic Refining	16 1/2	16 1/2	New York Central	164 1/2	164 1/2
Atlas Corp.	30 1/2	30 1/2	Niagara Hudson P.	34 1/2	34 1/2
Auburn Motors	91 1/2	85 1/2	North American	23 1/2	23 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	21 1/2	20 1/2	Northern Pacific	37 1/2	36 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	21 1/2	21 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	48 1/2	49 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	73 1/2	72 1/2	Pacific Lighting	104 1/2	104 1/2
Bendix Aviation	32 1/2	31 1/2	Packard Motors	20 1/2	20 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	26 1/2	26 1/2	Paramount	39 1/2	38 1/2
Boeing Airplane	54 1/2	52 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	47 1/2	48 1/2
Borden Co.	53 1/2	52 1/2	Phelps Dodge	47 1/2	47 1/2
Briggs Manufacturing	101 1/2	101 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	47 1/2	47 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan	145 1/2	143 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	62 1/2	61 1/2
Case, J.I.	13 1/2	13 1/2	Pullman Inc.	18 1/2	17 1/2
Case, J.I.	27 1/2	26 1/2	Pure Oil	11 1/2	10 1/2
Celanese Corp. of	70 1/2	70 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	28 1/2	28 1/2
Cerro de Pasco	134 1/2	134 1/2	Republic Steel	56 1/2	56 1/2
Certain-Teed P'ducts	83 1/2	83 1/2	Reynolds Tobacco	45 1/2	44 1/2
Chesapeake Corp.	82 1/2	81 1/2	Schenley	95 1/2	95 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	118 1/2	115 1/2	Schenley 5 1/2 pt.	95 1/2	95 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	178 1/2	176 1/2	Sears Roebuck	20 1/2	20 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	107 1/2	106 1/2	Shell Union Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pt.	65 1/2	65 1/2	Socony-Vacuum	28 1/2	28 1/2
Commercial Credit	18 1/2	17 1/2	Southern Cal. Edison	22 1/2	22 1/2
Commonwealth & S.	87 1/2	86 1/2	Southern Pacific	49 1/2	47 1/2
Commonwealth 8 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	Southern Ry. 5 1/2 pt.	15 1/2	15 1/2
Cum. pt.	43 1/2	42 1/2	Stand. Brands	9 1/2	9 1/2
Consolidated Edison	14 1/2	14 1/2	Stand. Gas & Elec.	57 1/2	56 1/2
Consolidated Oil	42 1/2	41 1/2	Stand. Oil of N.J.	70 1/2	70 1/2
Continental Oil	68 1/2	67 1/2	Sterling Products	32 1/2	31 1/2
Corn. Products	6 1/2	6 1/2	Swift International	20 1/2	20 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	19 1/2	19 1/2	Technicolor	38 1/2	38 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	43 1/2	42 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	19 1/2	19 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	101 1/2	101 1/2	Tidewater Assoc. Oil	23 1/2	22 1/2
Del. Lackawanna &	101 1/2	101 1/2	Timken-Detroit Axle	17 1/2	16 1/2
Distillers Corp. Sea-	28 1/2	28 1/2	Transamerica	35 1/2	34 1/2
grams	70 1/2	69 1/2	20th Cent. Fox Films	44 1/2	43 1/2
Du Pont	175 1/2	172 1/2	Un. Carbide & Car-	101 1/2	100 1/2
Electric Boat	12 1/2	12 1/2	Un. Pacific	128 1/2	123 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	22 1/2	21 1/2	United Aircraft	28 1/2	27 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	70 1/2	70 1/2	Un. Airline Trans-	18 1/2	18 1/2
\$5 pt.	80 1/2	79 1/2	United Corp.	62 1/2	61 1/2
\$8 pt.	24 1/2	23 1/2	United Corp. 3 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
Elec. Power & Light	33 1/2	32 1/2	Un. Gas Prov't	14 1/2	14 1/2
Elec. Power & Light	33 1/2	32 1/2	Un. Light & Power	7 1/2	7 1/2
\$7 pt.	34 1/2	33 1/2	"A"	37 1/2	37 1/2
Firestone Tire & R.	34 1/2	34 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alco-	48 1/2	48 1/2
Flintkote	50 1/2	49 1/2	hol	85 1/2	85 1/2
Gen. Asphalt	51 1/2	51 1/2	U.S. Rubber	70 1/2	70 1/2
Gen. Cigar	39 1/2	40 1/2	U.S. Rubber 3 1/2 pt.	70 1/2	70 1/2
Gen. Electric	66 1/2	64 1/2	U.S. Steel	27 1/2	27 1/2
Gen. Foods	154 1/2	154 1/2	Vanadium	164 1/2	164 1/2
Gen. Motors	22 1/2	22 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	144 1/2	142 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	13 1/2	13 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	78 1/2	77 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor	13 1/2	13 1/2	Youngstown Sheet	44 1/2	44 1/2
Gold Dust	31 1/2	31 1/2	& Tube	78 1/2	77 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	81 1/2	81 1/2	Chase National Bk.	44 1/2	44 1/2
Goodrich 3 1/2 pt.	28 1/2	27 1/2	National City Bank	38 1/2	37 1/2
Goodyear	28 1/2	27 1/2	Call Money	1 1/2	1 1/2

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SWATOW, FOCHOW, TIENTSIN, "NINGHAI" ... On 30th Dec. 10 a.m.	On 30th Dec. 10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, "KAYING" ... On 1st Jan. 3 p.m.	On 1st Jan. 3 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, "YUNNAM" ... On 1st Jan. 5 p.m.	On 1st Jan. 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, "KWEIYANG" ... On 3rd Jan. 10 a.m.	On 3rd Jan. 10 a.m.
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Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Anselme, Reiniger, Jensen, Jan. 25.
Anania, Messageries, January 19.
Atrous, B. & S., Dec. 31.
Atsuta, N.Y.K., December 25.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 28.
Benelux, Loxley, January 9.
Benelux, P. & O., Jan. 22.
Burgundy, Jensen, January 11.
Canton, O.S.K., December 23.
Chenopoc, Messageries, Dec. 20.
Comorin, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 25.
Corfu, P. & O., Jan. 21.
D'Artagnan, Messageries, Dec. 20.
Dagfred, Jensen, Jan. 14.
Danmark, E. & A. Co., January 19.
Dhmed, B. & S., Jan. 11.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 1.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 2.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Jan. 7.
Fushimi, N.Y.K., Jan. 1.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries, Dec. 20.
Gloria Stella, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 16.
Hainang, Douglas, Dec. 24.
Hainang, Douglas, December 28.
Hakusan, N.Y.K., January 1.
Havel, Melchers, January 9.
Hoson, O.S.K., December 29.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, January 8.
Kotohira, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Dec. 30.
Negato, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Ninghai, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 1.

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Taima, B.I. (Apar), December 24.
Hainang, Douglas, December 25.
Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 25.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 26.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Suisang, Jardine's, December 27.
Hainang, Douglas, Dec. 29.
Taima, B. & S., December 29.
Hoson Maru, O.S.K., January 3.
Chefoo.
Nanchang, B. & S., Dec. 23.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Hainang, Douglas, Dec. 25.
Ninghai, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Yunnan, B. & S., January 1.
Dairen.
Hainang, Douglas, Dec. 25.
Ninghai, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Preussan, Jensen's, December 31.
Aeneas, B. & S., January 5.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 5.
Havel, Melchers, January 9.
Burgundy, Jensen's, January 11.
Taliyuan, B. & S., January 12.
Fochow.
Nanchang, B. & S., Dec. 23.
Hainang, Douglas, December 25.
Hainang, Douglas, Dec. 25.
Ninghai, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Suisang, Jardine's, December 27.
Hawaii Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 29.
Taliyuan, B. & S., January 12.
Japan (Direct).
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Hoson Maru, O.S.K., January 3.
Shanghai and Japan.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Taima, B.I. (Apar), December 24.
Ranpura, P. & O., December 25.
Banawara, Loxley, Dec. 28.
Bangalore, P. & O., December 28.
Chenopoc, Messageries, Dec. 26.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 26.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Preussan, Jensen's, December 31.
Tarifa, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., January 1.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 3.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 7.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, January 8.
Hawapindi, P. & O., Jan. 8.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Benelux, Loxley's, January 9.
Havel, Melchers, January 9.
Rames, Jensen's, January 11.
Africa, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 11.
Burgundy, Jensen's, January 12.
Potdam, Melchers, January 12.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., January 15.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., February 23.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 23.

Los Angeles.

Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.

Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.

Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.

Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.

Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.

Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.

Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.

Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.

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FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Bahia.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Baltimore.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Glaucus, B. & S., January 21.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Boston and New York.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Glaucus, B. & S., January 21.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Cristobal.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Honolulu.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 23.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., February 23.
Los Angeles.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Mexico.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Panama.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Philadelphia.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.
Glaucus, B. & S., January 21.
Dagfred, Jensen's, January 29.
Portland and Puget Sound.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
San Francisco.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Tai Yin, Doddwell's, January 18.
Seattle.
Taliyuan, B. & S., January 12.
South America (W.C.).
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Vancouver, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Taliyuan, B. & S., January 12.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 23.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 30.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., February 23.
Victoria, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Taliyuan, B. & S., January 12.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 23.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 30.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., February 23.

Seattle.

Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.

Peter Maersk, Jensen's, December 28.

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NEW YORK via Panama.
 NOSHIO MARU Saturday, 2nd Jan.
 NAKO MARU Wednesday, 13th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
 BOKUYO MARU Wednesday, 10th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM
 FUSHIMI MARU Saturday, 2nd Jan.
 HAKOZAKI MARU Saturday, 16th Jan.
 TEBUKUNI MARU Friday, 9th Jan.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, and Marseilles.
 DURBAN MARU Saturday, 16th Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Port.
 ATSUTA MARU Friday, 25th Dec., at Night
 KITANO MARU Saturday, 23rd Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.
 KOTOHARA MARU Monday, 28th Dec.
 TANGO MARU Wednesday, 16th Dec.
 TANGO MARU Monday, 11th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
 NAGATO MARU Tuesday, 29th Dec.
 TOBA MARU Tuesday, 8th Jan.

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 GINYO MARU Tuesday, 29th Dec.
 HAKURAN MARU Friday, 1st Jan.
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MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

To-Day's Arrivals:

(BY T.S.M.)

S.S. "TALMA"
 The S.S. "Talma" of the P. and O. E. and A. B.I. and Apcar Lines (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) arrives here to-day at 8.00 a.m., and berths alongside the Kowloon Wharf.

She comes from Calcutta and the Straits, and will leave here for Shanghai and Japan to-morrow.

S.S. "KWANGTUNG"
 The S.S. "Kwangtung" of the China Navigation Company, Ltd. (Butterfield and Swire, Agents) is due here to-day, and will be moored to one of the Harbour Buoys.

She comes from Shanghai and Swatow, and will leave here for Hongkong, Pakhoi and Haiphong on Friday, December 25 at 3.00 p.m.

Letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office up to 10.00 a.m. on Friday, December 25.

S.S. "ALIPPORE"
 The S.S. "Alipore" of the P. and O. Line (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) is due here to-day at 5.00 p.m.

She comes from Kobe, and will leave here for Bombay and Karachi to-morrow.

S.S. "RANPURA"
 The S.S. "Ranpura" of the P. and O. Line (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) will arrive here to-morrow at 7.00 a.m., and will berth alongside the Kowloon Wharf.

She comes from the Straits, and will leave here for Shanghai and Japan on Friday, December 25.

Letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office up to 8.30 a.m. on Friday, December 25.

S.S. "SHANTUNG"
 The S.S. "Shantung" of the China Navigation Co., Limited (Butterfield and Swire, Agents) is due here to-morrow, and will be moored to one of the Harbour Buoys.

She comes from Shanghai and Foochow, and will sail for Swatow and Shanghai on Sunday, December 27 at 10.00 a.m.

M.S. "TRAVE"
 The M.S. "Trave" of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) will arrive here on January 3 next, and will sail for Europe (via Singapore and Port) on the same day, instead of on December 31 as previously advised.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF RUSSIA"
 The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited left Vancouver, B.C. for Hong Kong (via Japan Ports and Shanghai) on Friday morning, December 18.

She is due at Hong Kong on Thursday morning, January 7 next, and after discharging cargo, she will proceed to the Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN)

During the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday, the freight returns, received from the Harbour Office, showed a moderate tonnage movement.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 8,761 tons, with British steamers carrying 861 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 11,679 tons, of which 4,538 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 195, of which 133 were from British steamers.

There were altogether ten arrivals, of which six were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the eleven departures, five were British ships the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:-

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	6	5,399
Norwegian	1	—
French	1	700
Japanese	2	12,341
Total	10	18,440

VESSELS DUE

(Continued from Page 14.)

Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
 Potsdam, Melchers, January 12.
 Pres. Garfield, Dollar's, Jan. 15.
 Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Jan. 14.
 Pres. Taft, Dollar's, Jan. 4.
 Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, Jan. 1.
 Prinszen, Jensen's, December 30.
 Pyrrhus, B. & S., Jan. 23.
 Rajputana, P. & O., Jan. 8.
 Ramses, Jensen's, January 8.
 Ranpura, P. & O., December 24.
 Rawalpindi, P. & O., Jan. 7.
 Rheinland, Jensen's, January 4.
 Sauerland, Jensen's, January 8.
 Scharnhorst, Melchers, Dec. 25.
 Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 5.
 Somali, P. & O., Jan. 1.
 Suvaig, Jardine's, December 25.
 Tai Yin, Dodwell's, January 17.
 Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 31.
 Talma, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 23.
 Talhybuis, B. & S., December 31.
 Tarifa, Tharstein's, Dec. 31.
 Teirala, B. & S., December 28.
 Teucer, B. & S., Jan. 29.
 Tigre, Tharstein's, Dec. 27.
 Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8.
 Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, January 6.
 Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, December 23.
 Tjissaroes, J.C.J. Line, January 2.
 Toyama Maru, N.Y.K. Dec. 27.
 Trave, Melchers, January 3.
 Tweedbank, Bank Line, January 31.
 Tyndarus, B. & S., December 28.
 Van Heutz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 29.
 Zuiderkreek, J.C.J. Line, January 3.

ARRIVALS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Jean Moller, British steamer, 1,377 tons, Captain W. Fretwell, from Canton, mooring at Yau-mat, A. E. Gerondal.

Nanchang, British steamer, 1,488 tons, Captain P. J. Green, from Canton, buoy No. B20—B. & S.

Hang Sang, British steamer, 1,356 tons, Captain T. Wilkinson, from Tientsin via Swatow, general cargo, buoy No. B8—J. M. & Co.

Havre Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,451 tons, Captain M. Takagi, from Calcutta via Swatow, general cargo, buoy No. A2—O. S. K.

Selatan, British steamer, 1,571 tons, Captain R. C. Greer, from Swatow, general cargo, berthing at Douglas Wharf—Douglas & Co.

Solviken, Norwegian steamer, 1,435 tons, Captain Salvesen, from Canton, lying at Stonecutters—J. M. & Co.

Hai Li, Chinese steamer, 2,055 tons, Captain S. P. Teng, from Canton, China Merchant Steam Navigation's Wharf—C. M. S. N. & Co.

Lushan Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,507 tons, Captain T. Ishii, from Tungku via Swatow, general cargo, lying at Yau-mat—N. Y. K.

Tjinegara, Dutch steamer, 5,783 tons, Captain J. Adriane, from Sourabaya via Batavia, general cargo, buoy No. A7—J. C. J. Line.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

Fukuku Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,548 tons, Captain N. Hirose, from Canton, berthing at Osaka Shosen Kaisha Wharf—C. P. S.

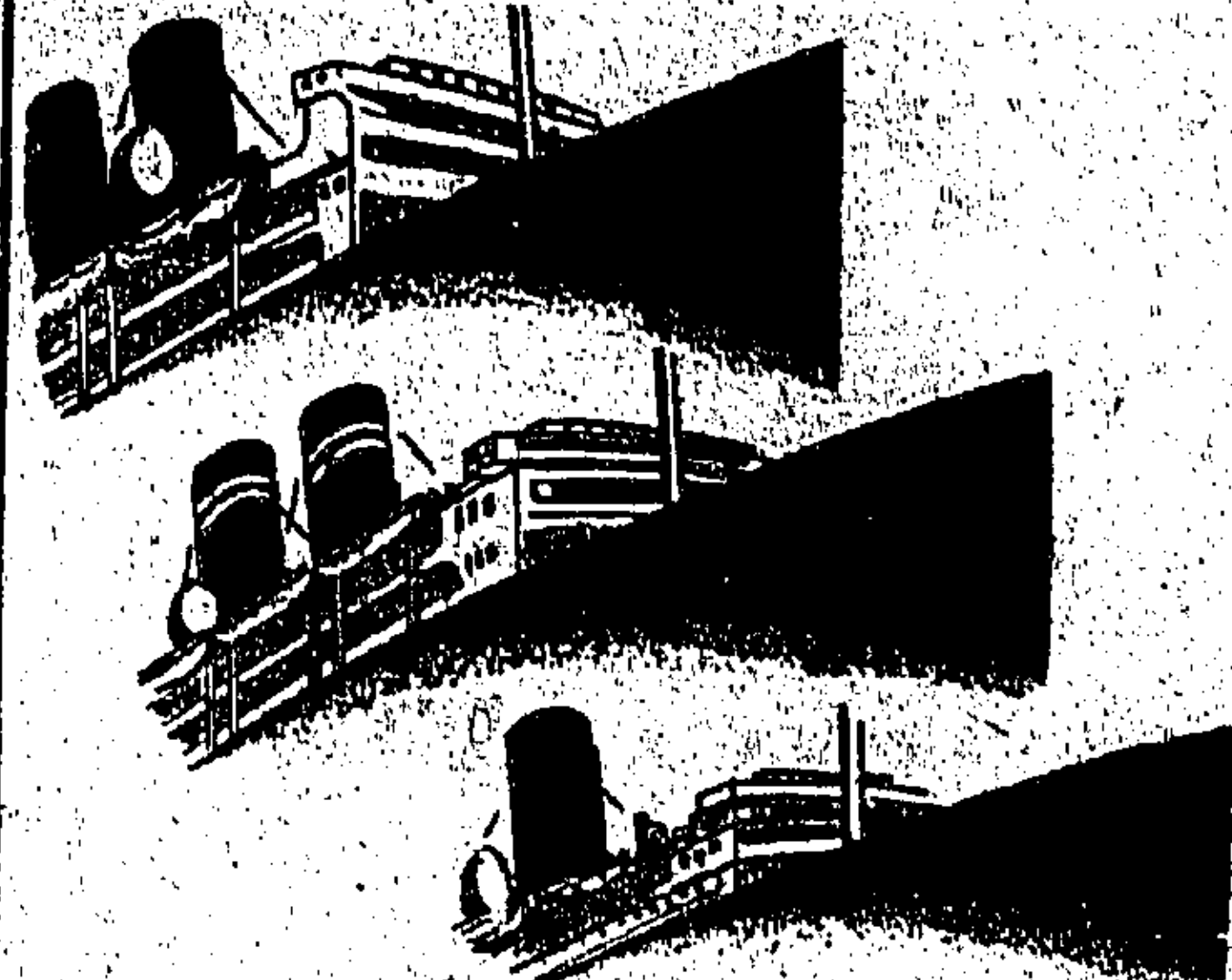
Ishi Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,137 tons, Captain D. Yasutake, from Milke, cargo—coal, berthing at buoy No. A12—M. B. K.

Fou Shing, British steamer, 1,423 tons, Captain R. C. Thompson, from Canton, buoy No. B2—J. M. & Co.

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*RAJPUTANA	17,000	9th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	8,000	16th Jan.	Bombay & Karachi.
*RANPURA	17,000	23rd Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BANGALORE	6,000	30th Jan.	Mars. Havre, London, Hamburg, Rostock, Antwerp, Hull.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	6th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*CORFU	14,500	13th Feb.	do.
*BHUTAN	6,000	20th Feb.	Mars. Havre, London, Hamburg, Rostock, Antwerp, Hull.
*VALDERA	16,000	6th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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RANPURA	17,000	30th Dec.	Shanghai & Japan
*BANGALORE	8,000	26th Dec.	do
NELLORE	7,000	2nd Jan.	do
SIRDHANA	8,000	7th Jan.	Ahoy, Shanghai & Japan
SIRHANA	8,000	21st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
RAWALPINDI	17,000	28th Jan.	Ahoy, Shanghai & Japan
SIRHANA	8,000	31st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
CORFU	14,500	29th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
*BHUTAN	6,000	23rd Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
*BEHAR	6,000	1st Feb.	do
TANDA	7,000	3rd Feb.	do
TILAWA	10,000	4th Feb.	Ahoy, Shanghai & Japan

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